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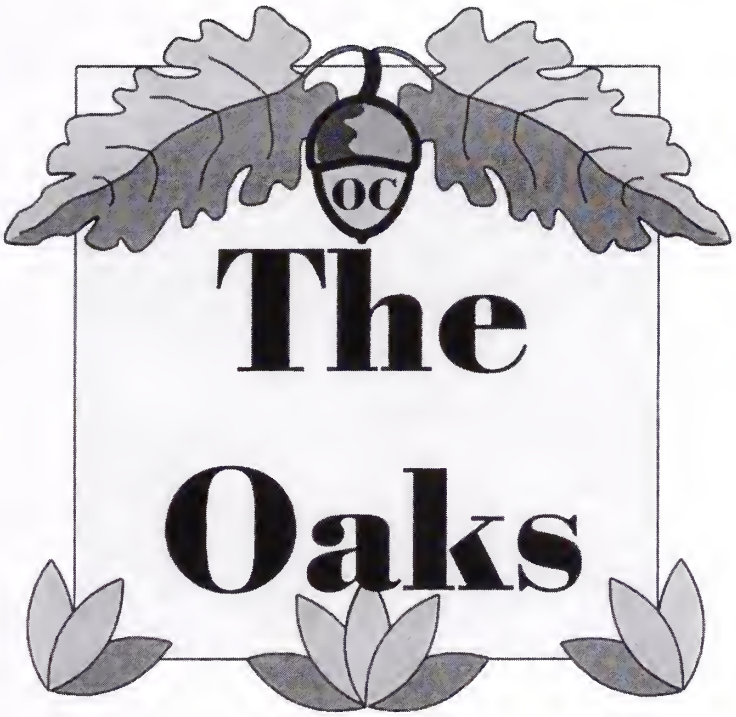
Welcomes Alumni and Friends
to the
37th Annual Homecoming



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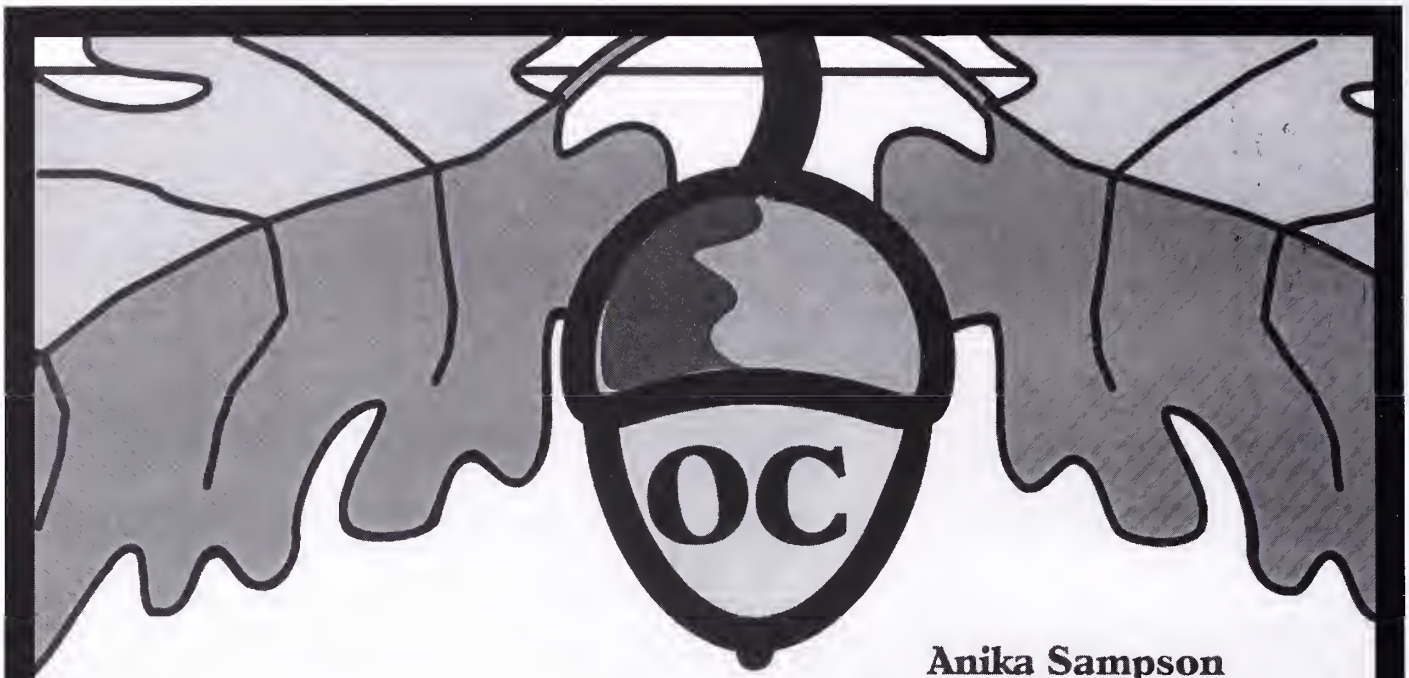

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Alumnus of the Year

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Allegheny West

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Central States

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Northeastern

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Pacific Union

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Southwest Region

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Delbert W. Baker, Ph.D
President, Oakwood

Welcome

Dr. Delbert Baker
President, Oakwood College

Welcome to the 37th Annual Alumni Homecoming Weekend. It is a pleasure and a delight to welcome you to the beautiful campus of Oakwood College, once again the recipient of Huntsville's Beautification Award. The National Alumni Planning Committee has diligently worked to prepare a fine program for your inspiration and enjoyment. Most importantly, the heart of the College is its students. While the institution is again listed in US News and World Report as one of the best colleges in the Southern Region, its central focus is a program of professional and character development of young men and women committed to serving God and mankind. This lies at the core of what we are about.

We challenge you to remember this as you enjoy the weekend. While it is a wonderful occasion to visit friends and renew old acquaintances, it is also a time to focus on our spiritual well-being, a time to give back to Christian education, and to prioritize the institution that helped us to become what we are. We invite you to take this opportunity to invest in this great institution so that its men and women may continue to make a spiritual difference in society.

While here, please observe West Oaks Apartments in its first full year of occupancy with the newly-completed Clubhouse. Oakwood College Industries on University Square is up and running with students employed in the NASA factory. As you move through the campus, please note the Historical Markers which highlight the College's early beginnings and the Morning Star House which once provided hospitality for Ellen G. White and family members. An afternoon at Oakwood Memorial Gardens and Slave Cemetery will convey a sense of the tremendous investment of its early pioneers. You may want to continue your stroll to the newly-renovated Market, Snack Bar, and Bookstore.

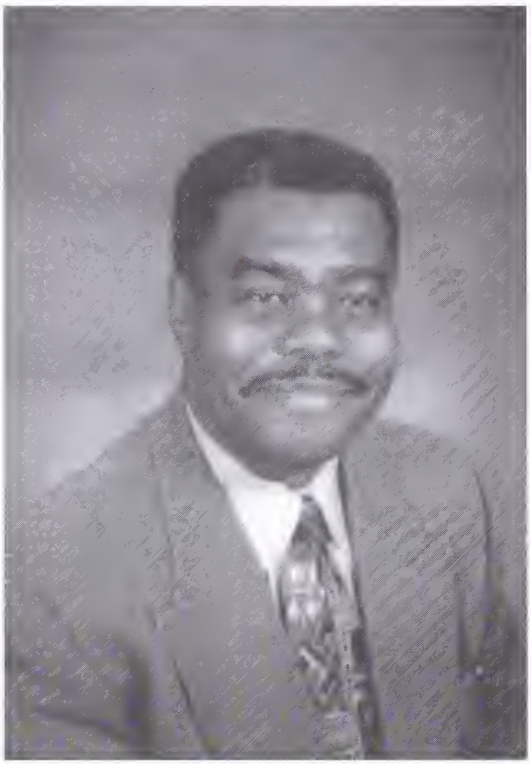
In particular, we ask that you join us in a unique feature of Year 2004-the Year of Effectual Prayer throughout campus. We are challenging faculty, staff, students, and alumni to especially seek God's blessings not simply to solve problems but to pour out His richest blessings on us as we continue to train men and women for His service.

When all is said and done, your investment in young people, your sacrifice on their behalf, your donation of time and funds will characterize this Alumni Weekend as a life-changing opportunity to invest in eternal rewards-the future of our students.

Again, Welcome!

Delbert W. Baker, Ph.D.
President

Welcome Home



Edward Woods, Jr.
Alumni President

The Oakwood College alumni Association welcomes you, our valued alumni and friends, home. The excitement that this Special Weekend will bring will be cherished for a life time. We will give special recognition to the classes of the 4'S. We anticipate having a member of the class of 1934 actively participating in our worship services.

The beauty of our campus will certainly cause you to stroll with old acquaintances, chatting about the good old days at "The Oaks". We pray that the spirit of our God will bless you and may you ever hold dear our school, Oakwood College.

Waiting to Greet You,

Ed Woods, Jr.

Office of Development

Bruce Peifer, Vice President Advancement & Development

Alumni weekend 2004 is here and we hope you will enjoy the fellowship and events planned this year. The Lord has blessed Oakwood for well over 100 years and with your support and prayers He will continue to do so.

One of the greatest joys in serving Oakwood College is the privilege of involvement with our alumni and friends. Your presence at this years Alumni weekend is important to the College. Oakwood needs your support and your continued involvement in your institution.

The Division of Advancement and Development welcomes you to Oakwood's Alumni celebration. May God bless you during this special event.

Oakwood College
Office Of Advancement & Development
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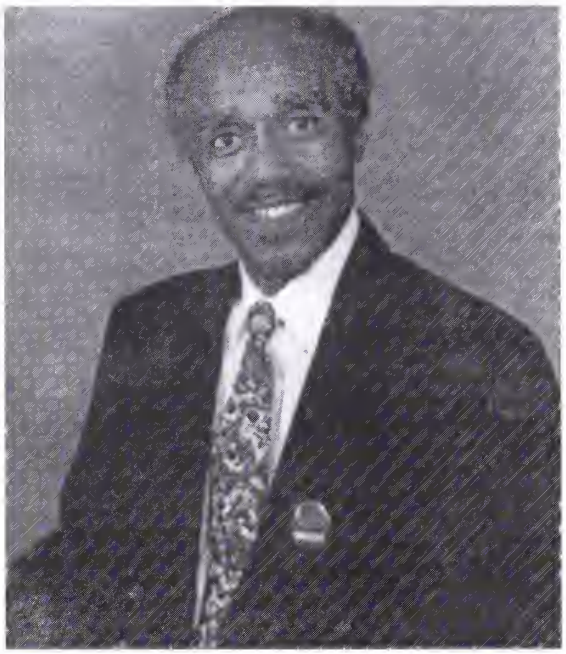
Thanks again for your support of Oakwood College!

Welcome Message



Dr. S Haywood Cox
Homecoming Coordinator
Alumni Relations Director

Welcome Home Alumni and Friends!

As we wait for our Lord to come and take us home to Heaven, we can catch a little glimpse of Heaven's Homecoming by annually attending Oakwood College Alumni Weekend. We have pulled out all stops to make Homecoming 2004 an event that you will never forget!

Word is coming back to us that the classes of the 4's and other Alumni will be here in record numbers with their financial gifts for Oakwood College. The financial crisis that has hit America since 9/11 has played havoc on our Historical Black Colleges, and we desperately need your help. We appreciate your help in making Oakwood College's Class Agent Program a tremendous success.

For information concerning Homecoming and other Alumni Programs look at our website: www.oakwood.edu, or you may contact us by calling (256) 726-7039. Please visit the Alumni office in Historical East Hall before departing.

We anziously await your arrival on April 8-11, 2004. Remember our theme for Homecomeing, "2004...Almost Home!"

Friday Vesper Speaker

Pastor Raymond Saunders, Jr.

A native of New York City, Pastor Raymond Saunders was baptized into the SDA Church as a young adult. He soon began his preaching and winning souls as a layperson. In 1970, with a wife and six children, he traveled to Oakwood College to study for the ministry. While there, Pastor Saunders became the first student chaplain of the college. He graduated form Oakwood College with a BA in theology in 1974.

Pastor Saunders served as a church pastor six years, and then was called to undertake the position of evangelist for the Northeastern Conference. He later served as Atlantic Union Conference evangelist for three years, then back to Northeastern Conference, where he served as evangelist for 21 years. God has granted Pastor Saunders the privilege of establishing many new churches in the U.S. and Bermuda. He has preached at home and abroad, throughout the Caribbean, Bermuda, and Africa, and by the power of the Holy Ghost, has baptized many who today also work in the service of the lord.

In 2001 he left full-time evangelism to shepherd the Progress Village and Westside SDA churches in Tampa, Florida. Pastor Saunders is married to the Former Ruth Martin, a registered nurse, and they are blessed with six children, 21 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Divine Workshop Speaker

Pastor Henry M. Wright

You can call him Minister, Professor, or Family Counselor. Elder Henry Monroe Wright began his ministerial career in 1964 after earning a Bachelor of Arts in Religion from Oakwood College. He further qualified himself for the ministry by obtaining a Master's of Systematic Theology from Andrews University in 1965. Sensing the need for additional training, Henry M. Wright received another Master's Degree from Ohio based Methodist Theological Seminary in 1978. He also attended Vanderbilt University from 1979 to 1981 for postgraduate studies in church administration. His ministerial assignments have taken him to Louisville, Kentucky, Greenville and Jackson, Mississippi, Columbus, Ohio and presently Alexandra, Virginia. During his thirty-two years of ministry, he has received more than forty awards and recognition for pastoral leadership, preaching and evangelism.

His professor's years began at his alma mater, Oakwood College in 1978 as an Assistant Professor of Religion. He served as Associate Professor of Pastoral Ministry from July 1982 to May 1983. During his tenure at Oakwood College, the Senior Class of 1981 voted Elder Wright as Professor of the Year. In may of 1983, the Allegheny West Conference called Elder Wright to become president.

After a four-year term of being president of Allegheny West, the Columbia Union called Elder Wright to become Vice President in 1987. From 1982 to 1993 Elder Wright was Vice President of Education for Health Management, Inc.

Elder Wright has founded several programs. Project Uplift was a church-sponsored organization founded by donors that used the energy of young adults to provide social services, disaster relief and domestic services to local residents. He coordinated, YOURS FOR THE ASKING, a thirty minute color religious telecast from October 1974 to April 1978. This show became the number one religious program in Central Ohio form 1975 to 1977. Form 1975 to 1977 Elder Wright was a regular guest presenter of the GOOD NEWS telecast. GOOD NEWS aired from the WHIO TV station in Dayton, Ohio.

Over the years, Elder Wright has been given special assignments to serve on various committees including the Adventist Media Center Reorganization Commission, General Conference Commission on Women's Ordination, and the North American Division Committee for Union and Local Conference Secretaries' and Church Clerk Manuals. He has written numerous articles in various church periodicals. Pastor Wright has had the consistent opportunity to be guest speaker evangelist at many events, both in the United States and throughout the world.

For the past ten years Elder Wright has been the Senior pastor for the Community Praise Seventh-Day Adventist Church located in Alexandria, Virginia. During these ten years, the membership has grown from fifty-seven to 882, and the tithe base has soared from $63,000 to $1.8 million in the year 2003. Local giving has also increased to over $800,000, in 2003. He combines his duties as pastor with teaching Homiletics and Church Administration for the Columbia Union College Theology Department.

While being blessed in all the above, Elder Wright has been married to Carol Lindsey Wright, CPA since 1966. They are gifted with three sons, Henry Monroe Wright II, Harold Michael Wright (deceased), and Herbert Marcel Wright. The Wright's also have two grandchildren.

Youth Speaker

Pastor Carlton Byrd, B.A., M.Div., M.B.A.

Pastor Carlton P. Byrd, an ordained minister of the Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) Church, is a native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the son of an SDA preacher, and is a fourth generation SDA paternally and maternally. He is a graduate of Oakwood College in Huntsville, AL with dual degrees, a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Theology and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management. He is also a graduate of Andrews University (SDA Theological Seminary) in Berrien Springs, MI, where he earned the Master of Divinity degree, and a graduate of Tennessee State University in Nashville, TN, where he earned the master of Business Administration degree.

Upon graduation from Oakwood College, Paster Byrd was extended an invitation from the South Central Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to serve as a minister where he served faithfully for nine years. During his tenure in the South Central Conference, he is best remembered for his service as the Pastor of the South Nashville Seventh-day Adventist Church in Nashville, TN. The Lord tremendously blessed his ministry at the South Nashville Church, and under his leadership and direction, the Church constructed and completed a new Church building. Additionally, the Lord abundantly blessed his evangelistic ministry at the South Nashville Church with nearly 350 persons being baptized during his four-year pastorate in Nashville! In 1998, 2000, 2001, and 2002 respectively, he received the President's Award for Pastoral Excellence (Pastor of the Year Award) for the South Central Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

In May, 2003, Pastor Byrd was extended an invitation by the Southwest Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to serve as the Pastor of the 1,000 member Bellfort Seventh-day Adventist Church in Houston, TX. Since his installation as Pastor of the Bellfort Church, remarkable spiritual, physical, and economic growth has already taken place as reflected in increased Church attendance, physical plant renovation, and financial improvement. In fact, during his eight months of pastoral ministry in 2003 at the Bellfort Church over 100 individuals were baptized.

In addition to his ministerial duties, Pastor Byrd is currently a doctoral student at Andrews University (Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary) in Berrien Springs, Michigan pursuing the Doctor of Ministry degree with an emphasis in African-American Religious studies. He is "all but dissertation" away form completing the requirements for this program, and is projected to fulfill these requirements within the next calendar year.

Pastor Byrd is happily married to the former Danielle Mounter, who is also a graduate of Oakwood College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology. They are the proud parents of two girls, Christyn and Caileigh.

It is Pastor Byrd's desire to be saved when Jesus Christ comes, and to be instrumental in leading others to realize this most precious reward of everlasting life with our soon coming Savior through innovative, seeker-sensitive, Christ-centered ministry.

Parents of the Year

Doctors Oliver and Ruth Davis

This year, we joyously present our loving parents, Doctors Oliver James (Sr.) and Ruth Faye Constance (Smith) Davis, who have been nominated on behalf of the James L. Moran Oakwood College Alumni Chapter in Huntsville, Alabama, under the excellent leadership of Dr. Alfonzo Greene, Sr., to be the 2004 Parents of the Year for the Oakwood College National Alumni Association. We will briefly share their story through creatively utilizing the letters of their last name, Davis

DAVIS: D=Dedicated, A=Affirming, V=Visionary, I=Inspiring, and S=Supportive

DEDICATED

Doctors. Oliver James (Sr.) and Ruth Faye Constance (Smith) Davis, who on August 14, 2003, celebrated their 43rd year of marriage, have dedicated their lives to their children, grandchildren, and thousands of students throughout their professional careers. They have been blessed with three children who all are graduates of Oakwood College: Rose Elizabeth Phillips (Carvil), of Atlanta, Georgia, who is a media specialist in the Fulton County, Georgia School System; Olivia Angela Turner (Bruce), Tampa, Florida, who is a speech pathologist in the Pinellas County School System in St. Petersburg, Florida, and Oliver James (Jr.) (Desiree E. Mosley), of South Bend, Indiana, who is an Asst. Professor of Social Work at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan and is the Co-Director of Visions Counseling Center in South Bend, Indiana. The Davises have four granddaughters: Constance J. Phillips (14), Roscille Phillips (10), and Alexandria Phillips (7) of Atlanta, Georgia, and Starr D. Davis (6) of South Bend, Indiana, who are all planning to attend Oakwood College. They are expecting a fifth grandchild to be born in Tampa, Florida, in December 2003.

Forty years ago, the Davises accepted a call for Elder Addison Pinkney, who was the President of Oakwood College at that time, to leave Merced, California, where they were teachers in the public school, and join the Oakwood College faculty. Throughout the forty years that they have been on the faculty at Oakwood College, the Davis' home has warmly included many Oakwood College and Oakwood Academy students who have been welcomed into the Davis family, especially on sabbath afternoons and during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, when the students frequently visited their home to partake of Dr. Davis's great home-cooked meals and to enjoy their special home away from home. Many of them return each year during the annual Oakwood College Alumni weekend.

For, Oliver James Davis, Sr., who is a native of Tampa, Florida, and the sixth of seven children of the late Eddie and the late Rosa Davis, his dedication to Oakwood College was kindled when he enrolled as a student at Oakwood College in 1947. He completed the requirements for his bachelor's degree in English from Oakwood College in 1952. Immediately after completing his work at Oakwood College, he was drafted in the United States Army. During his term of service in Korea, he received a Bronze Star for valor as a combat medic in 1953. Because of his love for music, he entered Pacific Union College, Angwin, California, September 1955, where he also received the Who's Who Among Students in America Universities and Colleges, and graduated in June 1957 with a B.A. in Music Education. He further completed certification requirements for teaching music be attending san Jose State College, in San Jose, California. Oliver was blessed to complete Master of Arts degree in Reading Education from Atlanta University in 1970 and to complete his Doctor of Arts (DA) degree in English form Middle Tennessee State University in 1988.

For, Ruth Faye Constance (Smith) Davis, who is a native of Greensboro, North Carolina, and the Second of two children of the late Willie (Sr.) and the late Elizabeth Smith, her dedication to Oakwood College was ignited when she enrolled at Oakwood College in 1950, where she completed her freshman and sophomore years of college. From 1952-1954, she completed the B.A. degree in Home Economics at Emmanuel Missionary College, now Andrews University. Afterwards, Ruth Accepted a call from the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists to teach Home Economics and other subjects in two secondary SDA schools in Ghana, West Africa, and Liberia, West Africa. After returning to the United States, she attended Michigan State University and received the M.A. degree in Clothing and Textiles, and Related Arts (Interior Design) in 1958. From 1959-1960, she taught on the faculty at Kentucky State University in Frankfort, Kentucky. Ruth was blessed to complete her Ph.D. degree in Childhood Development and Family Relations from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in 1978.

AFFIRMING, VISIONARY, & INSPIRING

Oliver and Ruth have been affirming to their children, grandchildren, and students throughout the years. The strength and encouragement have been a solid foundation in leading their children and grandchildren to the Lord. Through the special gift packages that they have continually sent to their children, which include cards with words of encouragement, something special from a church program and various items from home, they kindly affirm their continued love for their children and grandchildren. Their love for their students can also be seen during their many travels across the country, in which many of their former students frequently invite them home for dinner as a thank you to the Davises for opening up their home to them when they were attending Oakwood College and/or the Oakwood Academy.

Oliver and Ruth continually have worked to challenge their children and students to be visionary leaders. It has been their desire for their children, grandchildren, and students to be able to have access to opportunities such as earning graduate degrees and professional licenses, starting their own businesses, and being involved in church, governmental and community service activities. Their challenge to their children and students has been to remember that no matter how high you climb on the ladder of success, we should always remember to thank those who have helped us along the way and to remain humble.

Oliver and Ruth are very thankful that God had blessed them to inspire their children, grandchildren, and students to dream the dream that God has been dreaming about them and to fulfill their dreams. As being a part of the first generation on both sides of their family to have completed college and graduate degrees, they have blazed a path of success for their children, grandchildren, and students by being and example to them first at home and in their professional lives. Throughout their 40 years on the teaching faculty at Oakwood College, which ranks them to be the longest serving married academic faculty couple to both serve on the teaching faculty at Oakwood College in the history of the school, they have been blessed to see many major positive changes, which in their golden years continue to provide them the spiritual fuel to inspire their children and students, which include their "grand" students, since they have had the unique blessing of inspiring and teaching many of the children of their former students.

SUPPORTIVE

From seeing the success of their children, grandchildren, and students across the world, the testimony of the support that Oliver and Ruth have given them is clearly seen. They have continually taken the time to encourage and to support their children, grandchildren, and students. The Davises have also been supportive to the six Oakwood College presidential administrative staff and faculty teams that they have been blessed to be a part of over the past 40 years (Pinkney, Hale, Rock, Cooper, Reaves, and Baker).

Furthermore, a combination of work experiences, community services, and educational commitments has made it possible for them to receive several awards in their respective fields. They both have received the Zapora Teacher of the Year Award given by the General Conference Education Department. The National Honor Society for Family and Consumer Sciences awarded Ruth membership, and she also received the Distinguished Alumni of the Year citation Award from the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education. The Alabama Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (ALAFCS) presented Ruth Davis the Family and Consumer Science Award in Human Services in 2000 and the ALAFCS Administrator Award in 2001. Oliver was also awarded a plaque for his faithfulness in assisting with Annual Alumni activities. He also received the South Central Merit Honoree Award.

Oliver and Ruth Davis have both worked faithfully in the Oakwood College Church for years as elders, ushers, Sabbath School Superintendent, Stewardship Director, Division Leader, Sabbath School Teachers, Family Life Director, and Oakwood Academy School Board member for the Oakwood College Church. Ruth was Stewardship Director when the church was blessed to burn the mortgage for the Oakwood College Church. She also served on the Oakwood College Credit Union Board. Oliver also directed the Oakwood Academy Choir, where he was on the faculty for several years, and played the piano for the church and Sabbath School divisions as needed.

The Davises have worked with the Oakwood college National Alumni Association through the years, ushering at the Von Braun Civic Center, participating in the Friday night suppers, and the Annual Alumni Breakfasts in the Family and Consumer Sciences Department and in the English Department. They have also recruited students during camp-meetings, various evangelists tent efforts around the country, and at their professional meetings, which have taken them around the nation. Oliver and Ruth have supported the Oakwood College Alumni also with their financial assistance for the many programs sponsored by the James L. Moran Chapter and the Oakwood College National Alumni Associaton.

CONGRATULATIONS
to
Drs. Ruth & Oliver Davis
Parents of the Year!
FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES DEPARTMENT
OAKWOOD COLLEGE

MAJORS

DIETETICS (B.S.) DIETETICS INTERNSHIP, ADA APPROVED

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES (B.S.)

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES EDUCATION (B.S)

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES (B.S)

CONGRATULATIONS

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis
Parents of the Year

In Loving Memory

of

Mom and Dad Smith

You were loving parents to many young people through the years. Your home was an oasis of happiness for young and old.

Pastor & Mrs. Samuel Thomas, Sr.
&
Family

CONGRATULATIONS

Dr. Oliver Davis & Dr. Ruth Faye Davis
On being nominated as

The Oakwood College National Alumni Parents of the Year

It is our pleasure to congratulate Dr. Oliver Davis and Dr. Ruth Faye Davis as the Oakwood College National Alumni Parents of the Year for 2004.

Dr. Oliver Davis and Dr. Ruth Faye Davis have been ardent supporters of Christian education at Oakwood College for many years. Each of their three children are graduates of Oakwood College and are successful in their fields. Both Dr. Oliver Davis and Dr. Ruth Faye Davis have contributed freely to the education of countless other students through the years.

As faithful members of the Oakwood College Church for many years, they have been exemplary models of Christian service as they gave of themselves unselfishly as Sabbath School Superintendent, Head of the Usher Department, Head of the Stewardship Department and many other church services.

We pray God's continued blessings on Dr. Oliver and Dr. Ruth Faye Davis

Sincerely,

John S. Nixon, D. Min.
Senior Pastor

CONGRATULATIONS
to
Drs. Ruth & Oliver Davis
Parents of the Year!

In memory of our husband, father, and brother
Willie Smith Jr.

Mrs. June Smith and Family
Mrs. Katherine Newell

CONGRATULATONS

To

Drs. Oliver and Ruth Faye Davis

2004 PARENTS OF THE YEAR

and

TO ALL 2004 HONOREES

We join with others in offering our Congratulations to you for a job well done. We pray that God will continue to bless and keep you and your family and that one day real soon we will all meet at the LONG AWAITED HOMECOMING!

Edward and Edith Woods

To

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

on

being nominated as

Parents of the Year

May God bless you as you serve in His vineyard.

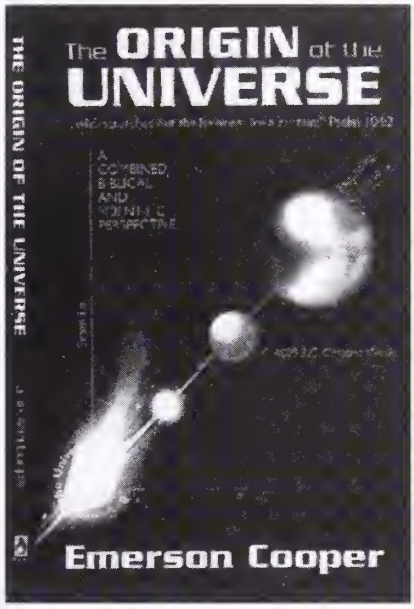
Pastor & Mrs. James Parker

Congratulations!!!

Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis

2004 Alumni Parents of the Year

Coming Soon to Your Favorite Book Store...



What is the origin of the universe?
Inquiring minds will find compelling answers awaiting them in this book. Since the subject of the origin of the universe lies at the interface of science and religion, the author believes that we can get closer to the truth if we combine the unequivocal testimony of the Bible with the irrefutable evidences of science. This subject is elucidated in this profound, scholarly work, informed by scientific knowledge and biblical insight. The scientific perspective is explained in detail on the basis of the best ideas in cosmology. The biblical perspective is based on the interpretations of Genesis that are consistent both with other portions of Scripture and the best scientific evidence and thinking. An epilogue providing a masterful summary of the salient ideas in this book is also included. Author Emerson A. Cooper is a graduate of Oakwood College (B.A.), the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn (M.S. in Chemistry), and Michigan State University (Ph.D.). For forty-four years he has taught chemistry at a small liberal arts Christian college.

During his distinguished career as a scientist-educator, he has been the recipient of many distinctive accolades including the following: The First White House Initiative Faculty Award for Excellence in Science and Technology, the prestigious TENNECO-UNCF-Excellence in Teaching Award, the Alabama Association of College Administrators Exemplary Service Award, and Distinguished Leadership Award.

He is also the author of the following two books: *The Core of General Chemistry*, and *To the Unknown God: The God of Science and The Bible.*

E. A. Cooper, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry

CONGRATULATIONS
TO
Grandma and Pap Paps

We are happy for our Grandparents, Oliver & Ruth Davis for being Parents of the year. Thank You for all the special things you do for us. We are proud to be your granddaughters.

Love Always,

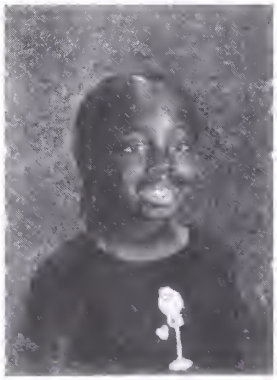
Constance Jeslyn Phillips

Erika Rose Turner

Roscille Angela Phillips

Alexandria Elizabeth Phillips

FUTURE OAKWOODITES



Starr Danielle Davis

CELEBRATING OUR PARENTS
OLIVER JAMES & RUTH FAYE CONSTANCE DAVIS

You Will Always Be Our Parents of the Year!
CONGRATULATIONS!

Rose & Carvil

Olivia & Bruce

Oliver Jr. & Desiree

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT THROUGH THE YEARS. WE THANK GOD FOR PARENTS LIKE YOU.

LOVE YOUR CHILDREN,
Rose & Carvil Phillips, Olivia & Bruce Turner, Oliver Jr. & Desiree Davis

CONGRATULATIONS
AND
BEST WISHES
TO
THE FAMILY OF THE YEAR

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Fay Davis

For your dedication to Christian Education
and your loving care for students.

May God Bless you.

Dr. & Mrs. Alfonzo Greene
Pastor Alfonzo Greene Jr.

The J. L. Moran Chapter
of the
Oakwood College Alumni Association

Congratulations
to
The Family of the Year 2004
Drs. Ruth and Oliver Davis

We applaud you both for your life long dedication to Christian education.

Claude Howard Jr. - President
Hector Mouzon - Vice President

CONGRATULATIONS
DRS. OLIVER & RUTH FAYE DAVIS
PARENTS OF THE YEAR

The joy of loving, caring, sharing and encouraging are the traits that made you worthy of this honor today. You have been family and friend for so many away from home through the years. May good health and happiness be yours as you continue to be guided by and follow in the footsteps of Christ.

Your Indianapolis Friends
Lizzie Mae Strange
Thomasine Wright
Carmelita Richardson

CONGRATULATIONS

TO

Drs. Ruth & Oliver Davis

Mrs. Inez Booth
Mrs. Annell Wright
Pastor & Mrs. C. D. Brooks

Oakwood College Alumni Association

CONGRATULATIONS

to

Parents of the Year

Oliver and Ruth Davis

You desrve the honor because of your service and commitment.

SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

Gordon L. Retzer, President
Ward D. Sumpter, Secretary
Richard P. Center, Treasurer
Jim Caskey, Under Treasurer

CONGRATULATIONS
to
Drs. Ruth & Oliver Davis

For being chosen

Parents of the Year!

May God continue to bless you as you work in His vineyard at Oakwood College.

Mrs. Evelyn Tramel

The Mary Palmer Jackson Atlanta Chapter
Oakwood College Alumni Association

CONGRATULATIONS
To
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis
Parents of the Year
2004

May God Continue to Richly Bless You

From the Officers & Members of the

MARY PALMER JACKSON ATLANTA CHAPTER
Oakwood College Alumni Association

CONGRATULATIONS
&
BEST WISHES
PARENTS OF THE YEAR

OLIVER AND RUTH DAVIS

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour than silver and gold."
Proverbs 22:1

The Stones

Linwood
Jennifer
Jailyn
Tyler
Cicily

CONGRATULATIONS

to

Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis

PARENTS OF THE YEAR

God has blessed you to work in His vineyard over forty years. Truly you have inspired many young people to dedicate their lives to the Master Teacher. You have provided Christian education for your three children who are now educating their children for the Master. May you continue to utilize your talents to help individuals improve their quality of life and prepare for a soon coming Savior. We love you.

Herbert Davis, Irma Davis, Eric Davis,
Brenda Davis, Earl Davis

CONGRATULATIONS PARENTS OF THE YEAR

OLIVER AND RUTH DAVIS

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU

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--HEALTH CARE SERVICES--

Naomi McKenzie
Senior Vice President

CONGRATULATIONS UNCLE OLIVER & AUNT FAYE!

You are blessed! Blessed to have your quiver full, parenting your biological children and a host of other young people. Your positive influence has touched young people in the church, in the academic community, and beyond. As part of your extended family, we want to join in the celebration recognizing your spirit-led parental infleuence on all those you meet.

May the Lord continue to richly bless you.

Love,
Your Sister
June Smith

Love,
Your Niece & Family
The Browns - Pam Christopher & Crystal

Love,
Your Nephew & Family
the Smiths - Eric, Lecshea & Tre'

Love,
Your Nephew & Family
The Smiths - Darrell, Takeela, Vuarnet,
D'Argio, Eva, Britney, Branisha

WELL DONE!

The Mount Olive Church Family
Celebrates With
Carvil & Rose Phillips
in honor of their parents

Drs. Oliver J. & Ruth Faye Davis

as

Parents of the Year 2004!

Congratulations!!!

"*The Little Church With The Big Heart*"
3366 Mt. Olive Road
East Point, GA 30344
404 768-4098

Darryl Howard, Pastor

PARENTS OF THE YEAR - 2004

DR. OLIVER J. DAVIS & DR. RUTH FAYE DAVIS

D – **distinguished, diligent determined, diplomatic**

A – **achiever, apt articulate**

V – **venerable victorious**

I – **idealist intellectual**

S – **sensible, savant sincere**

D – **dedicated, dignified deferential, devoted**

A – **accommodative approachable**

V – **vibrant visionary**

I – **industrious, innovative impressive**

S – **stable, serious sensitive**

Congratulations on being "Parents of the Year!" Your dedication to leadership and Christian education at OAKWOOD COLLEGE is no less than exemplary. You have set a great example in parenting while excelling in your classroom work and Christian service. Blessings on you, your family and OAKWOOD COLLEGE!

Elder & Mrs. Theodore (Ted) Jones, II
Associate Secretary, General Conference of SDA
Silver Springs, Maryland

CONGRATULATIONS!

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

On Being Chosen

Parents of the Year

By The
Oakwood College Alumni Association
On the 37th Annual Homecoming Celebration
April 8-11, 2004

East Market Street Church of Seventh-day Adventists
1804 East Market Street
Greensboro, NC 27214
(336)272-5715

Richard H. Long, Sr.
Pastor

Randy R. Reeder
First Elder

Mrs. Essie Brown
Treasurer

Ms. Dell Cohen
Clerk

It is a pleasure to congratulate

Oliver and Ruth Davis

As Parents of the Year for Home Coming of 2004

What a blessing they have been to our church and its youth. Their commitment to the cause of God is reflected in their children. Their contirbution is greatly appreciated.

I submit this acknowledgement in memory of

Francis Elizabeth Blake

Francis Blake dedicated her talents as a teacher in our denominational schools. She also blessed the female students of Oakwood as she served as Dean of Women in the famous Irwin Hall Dormitory.

Allie T. Valentine

Congratulations!

Our Best Wishes and God's Blessings!
To
Our Brother and Family
Oliver and Ruth Faye Davis
(Parents of the Year)

Elder Fred W. Parker Sr. and wife, Mildred Davis Parker

Children

Fred Jr. & Paulette Parker - Fred III, Melanie, Kimberly & grandson Craig Jr.
Willie S. Parker
Walter & Marcheta Parker - Mauria & Michonne
Yvonne & Aaron Anderson - Angel Evonne

CONGRATULATIONS

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

For

Being nominated "Parents of the Year"

May God richly bless you as you continue to serve the young people of Oakwood College.

Mount Calvary Seventh-day Adventist Church
3111 E. Wilder Avenue
Tampa, FL 33610
(813) 238-1340

Dr. Patrick E. Vincent, Senior Pastor

CONGRATULATIONS
Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis, Parents of the Year

In loving memory of James M. Darby, "Huss", husband and father, we support Christian education as he did. "Huss" spent some of his formative years at Oakwood. He cherished those years and credits his stay at Oakwood for the lifelong influence in his life to love God and appreciate His creation. James loved working in the soil, growing food and planting flowers to beautify the surroundings.

Wilma Minisee Darby, Wife

Daughters, Sons-in Law and Grandchildren
Anthony and Yvonne Grene and children
Elyse and James

George and Dawn Ray and children
George II, Alphonzo, and Christopher

Allen and Winetta Powell and children
Alisha, Allen Jr., Alonda and Alvin

Congratulations & Best Wishes

to

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

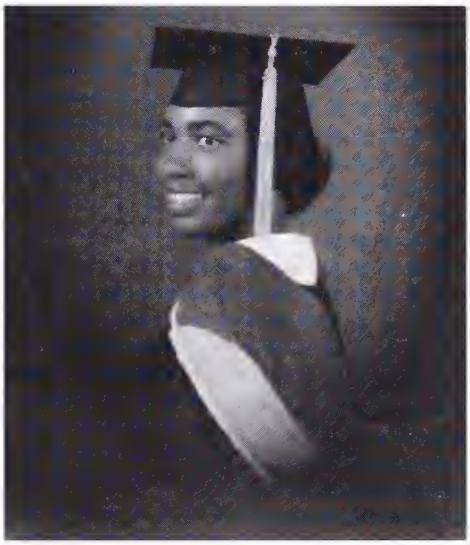
Parents of the Year

In memory of our husband and father, Solomon Outlaw.

Mrs. Carrie Outlaw & Family

CONGRATULATIONS
to
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis
Most Valuable Parents of the Year!

In Remembrance of
Leona Velita Shand-Hood M.S.W.



December 23, 1958 - August 9, 2000

Parents
Dr. and Mrs. Lance V. Shand

Husband
Elliot Hood

Children
Ryan and Jamel

Brother and Sisters
Matthew, Nolma, Lola

BEST WISHES

Dr. Oliver Davis
and
Dr. Ruth F. Davis

Congratulations on your award as "Parents of the Year". May God Bless you. Continue to show your love, Dedication to the Family, and to Oakwood Collge:

(F)ather
(A)nd
(M)other
(I)
(L)ove
(Y)ou

Connie Mayfield and (daughter) Olivia Johnson

Congratulations!

Oliver and Ruth Faye Davis

May God Continue to Bless You

Valerie Green
Gilford Green Jr.
Shanell Green

Dr. Aaron Ates
Carissa Ates
Aaron Ates II
Austin Ates

Congratulations & Best Wishes
to

Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis

for being chosen
Parents of the Year

May God bless you as you continue to promote Christan education and inspire our youth to achieve success.

Chaplain & Mrs. Douglas Simons

Congratulations and Continued Blessings
From the Lord
to

Drs. Oliver and Ruth Faye Davis

Parents of the Year

Continue to inspire our youth
for excellence and eternity.

James and Brenda Hurt

CONGRATULATIONS
DRS. OLIVER AND RUTH DAVIS

FOR BEING PARENTS OF THE YEAR

Continue to give your best to the Master as you inspire young people for Him.

Dr. Esther N. Gill
Mrs. Theresa R. Brown

Congratulations!

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

-Parents of the Year-

God has given to both Oliver and Ruth His indescribable gift of Christian love and dedication. They have used the talents that God gave them to build the characters of their children and students in their classroom, and we applaud them for their success in this area.

Felix & Morna Battle
Gladys Lacy
Elder & Mrs. W. S. Banfield

CONGRATULATIONS
Drs. Oliver and Ruth Faye Davis

We love you both and are very proud that you have been selected as parents of the year.

We praise God for your example as loving Christian parents and for the blessing you have been to us and to all who know you. May God continue to richly bless you and your entire family.

Lovingly,
Cliff and Sandra Price

CONGRATULATIONS
DRS. OLIVER AND RUTH DAVIS

For being Parents of the Year

May God bless you as you continue to promote Christian education.

Dr. and Mrs. David L. Taylor
Loma Linda University

Dr. Oliver and Dr. Ruth F. C. S. Davis
("Tally Ho" and "Lady Shing")

You are urbane gentle people and you epitomize consecrated, committed Christians.

The lives of your children affirm your devotion to Christian education.

God bless you for your dedication to and support of "Worthy, dear old O.C."

The Blakes: Donald, Vera and family
(Remember, we were there when it all began.)

Congratulations

&

God's Blessings

to

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

Parents of the Year

Mrs. Dorothy Reid

Best Wishes
to

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

Parents of the Year

Dr. & Mrs. Nathaniel G. Higgs

Congratulations To Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis

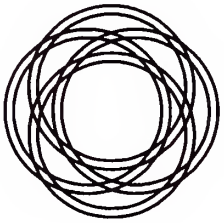
GREATNESS IS NOT FOUND IN POSSESSIONS, POWER, POSITION, OR PRESTIGE. IT IS DISCOVERED IN GOODNESS, HUMILITY, SERVICE AND CHARACTER.

May God Richly Bless Your Endeavors

Dorothy & Duane E. Thomas
Dothan, Alabama

Mr. & Mrs. Wilbon Thomas
Midway, Alabama

CONGRATULATIONS
Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis
Parents of the Year
2004



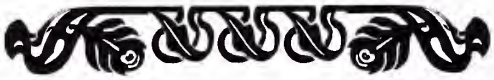
Best Wishes
Elder & Mrs. Theodore W. Cantrell
Mrs. Laura J. Mitchell

We are so proud of you.

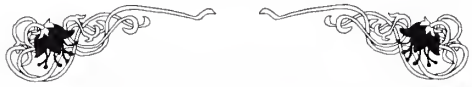
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Faye Davis

You are perfect examples
of
Christian, Educated Parents

May God continue to
use you in His service



Elder & Mrs. D. J. Dixon
Huntsville, Alabama



To: Oliver and Ruth Davis

Congratulations on being selected as Parents of the Year, an honor well deserved.

May God continue to bless you as you influence other young people to achieve academic excellence and spiritual growth and provide leadership in their communities.

From:
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson, Sr.
and
The Arnold and Lillian J. Green Family

CONGRATULATIONS

DRS. OLIVER AND RUTH DAVIS
PARENTS OF THE YEAR

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AUTOPLEX

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COME SEE
WILLIE GOODLOW
6580 University Drive
Huntsville, Alabama
(256)824-8000
E-mail: wgoodlow@huntsvilleautoplex.com

Parents of the Year 2004

Oliver and Ruth Davis

Congratulations and God's Blessings

Charles and Delores Woods

Congratulations

to

Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

Parents of the Year

An honor well deserved.

Dr. & Mrs. E. E. Rogers

Congratulations
On Your Honor
As
"Parents of the Year"
2004

Ornan, Shirley,
Trevor, and Sharlene
Bailey

Dr. Oliver and Dr. Ruth Davis

CONGRATULATIONS
to
some special friends
and
some special people

The Rogers
Carl
Tecora
Carla

John & E. Christina Thomas
141 Thunderbird Drive
Harvest, AL 35749

Parents of the Year
Congratulations on Your Achievement
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

May God Continue to Richly Bless You

Congratulations
Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis

May God continue to bless you and your family.

Dr. and Mrs. John Anderson

Congratulations
Drs Oliver and Ruth Faye Davis
Parents of the Year

Your dedication and outstanding services to the Seventh-day Adventist Church and Oakwood College are greatly appreciated. Continue to strive for excellence and prepare your students for eternity.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mosley
3648 N. Delaware
Indianapolis, IN 46205

Congratulations
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

May God continue to bless you and your family.

Jacqueline & Monica Mosley

Congratulations
Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis
Parents of the Year

May God continue to bless you both as you promote Christian Education

Guy Juzang
Infinity Technology, Inc.
430 Wynn Drive N.W.
Huntsville, Alabama 35805

Blessed are those who work in God's Vineyard. Continue to prepare our youth for His Kingdom.

Parents of the Year
Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis

Majorie S. Cooper

Best Wishes To
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis
Parents of the Year

Hammond's Counseling Service
3200 Fullerton St.
Beltsville, MD 20705
Phone No: 301-572-7536
James Hammond, Ph.D./Carol Hammond, Ph.D
Specialities:
Marriage Counseling, Learning Styles
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Congratulations
Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis
Parents of the Year

May God continue to bless you both as you promote Christian Education.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lashley

CONGRATULATIONS
PARENTS OF THE YEAR
OLIVER AND RUTH DAVIS

MAY GOD CONINUE TO BLESS YOU.

GREGORY AND CAROL ALLEN

Best Wishes
to
Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis
Parents of the Year

Dr. Craig & Janis Newborn

CONGRATULATIONS
PARENTS OF THE YEAR
Oliver and Ruth Davis

Harry & Daisy Swinton

Best Wishes
to
Oliver & Ruth Davis
2004 Parents of the Year

Pastor & Mrs. Robert Douglas

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES
TO
DRS. OLIVER AND RUTH DAVIS
PARENTS OF THE YEAR

DR. DAN M. LUTHER
MRS. TERR L. LUTHER
GENERAL DENTISTRY
2305 Whitesburg Drive, S
Huntsville, Alabama

Best Wishes
to
Oliver and Ruth Davis
Parents of the Year

Mrs. Ruth A. Warren

Congratulations To
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

Dr. & Mrs. Joseph (Cynthia) Warren
Spring Hope Ministries
FAMILY LIFE and MEN'S MINISTRY
508 N. Bluff Street
Berrien Springs, MI 49103
269-471-3168 (office)
269-471-5015 (home)
E-mail: warren@andrews.edu

Congratulations
to
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis
on your well deserved selection as
Parents of the Year
May God continue to bless you
abundantly.

Your Friends,
John & Jean Blake

Alumnus of the Year

Elder Dr. William Donald Felder II

"W.D., as he is called by his family and friends, is the eldest of eleven children of Eva Mae and William Felder. He saw the "light of day" in Elizabeth, New Jersey and was reared in New York City. He showed signs of leadership as early as 8 years old, which later earned for him the respect of his siblings and the title "Chairman of the Felder Board".

William is known for his infectious, jovial laugh and his fun-loving nature. He is the husband of Gloria and father of four children: William III, Stephanie Elaine, Nzemgha, and Kristen. All Oakwoodites since 1999. William has pastored the Mt. of Olives Seventh-day Adventist Church in Brooklyn, N.Y., where he presently still serves. Gloria, his wife, describes him as a wonderful father, and a loving husband who is serious about his pastoral challenge, his calling to the gospel ministry, and his family.

In 1993, Pastor Felder had a "Near death" experience at the university of California Medical Center which still puzzles the doctors who continue, ten years later, to study his case, attempting to determine the cause of his miraculous recovery. William knows the God he serves saved him! His ever-present animation, successful ministry, business acumen, and zest for life's activities are proof-positive of his forty years of dedication and commitment to humanity and God's service.

Paster Felder has completed a full academic program: Bachelor's Degree from Oakwood College, Master's Degree from Andrew's University, MBA Degree from the University of Bridgeport, and a Ph.D. Degree for California Coast University.

Our Alumni of the year's work experience includes several pastorates in Northeastern Conference, Director of Black Ministries in Northern California Conference, and Pastorates in Central States Conference.

He has served as Adjunct Professor of the Atlantic Union College School of Evangelism and Professor of Bible Doctrines, Financial Management, Revelation, and Expository Preaching.

William has received numerous awards and honors. He held the post of President of Northeastern Conference Ministerial Fellowship

Pastor Felder received the Awards: "Pastor of the Year"-Central States Conference, "Evangelist of the Year"-Central States Conference, "Administrator of the Year"-Pacific Union Conference. He started two schools in Amityville, raised two new churches in long island, and conducted eighteen evangelistic meetings.

The A. Samuel Rashford Chapter is proud to join the Oakwood College Alumni Association as it salutes Paster William Felder II as "The 2004 Alumni of the Year".

Congratulations
And
Best Wishes

To Oakwood's Alumnus of the Year

Dr. William Felder

You are a worthy recipient of this most prestigious award and all of us at City Tabernacle of Manhattan, New York salute you on this occasion. You are a powerful witness in defense of truth and the downtrodden and your life has made this world a better place. We love you and respect you and may the invaluable contributions you've made in the service of Christ continue to abound.

City Tabernacle SDA Church
New York, New York

Your Friends at City Tab

Dr. Abraham Jules, Senior Pastor
Pastor Bertie Runcie, First Elder
Eileen Morgan, Clerk
Harry Dixon, Treasurer

Pastor William D. Felder

Pastor Ainsworth E. Joseph and the entire congregation of Queensboro Temple wish to dedicate the words of Psalms 105:1,2 to our former pastor and leader.

"O Give thanks unto the Lord; Call upon his name, Make his deeds known among the people. Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him. Talk ye of all his wonderful words."

The Oakwood College Alumni has made an excellent choice in honoring you. Again we congratulate you and your family. May the Spirit of God forever be with you.

Queensboro Temple SDA Church

Ainsworth E. Joseph, Pastor

CONGRATULATIONS!!!
PASTOR WILLIAM D. FELDER, JR., Ph.D.

2004 Oakwood College Alumnus Of The Year

"Honor thy Father and Thy Mother: that thy days may be long".
~Exodus 20:12~

In loving memory of William D. Felder, Sr. and Eva Mitchell Felder,
Our parents (1973 Oakwood College Parents of the Year).

God's Richest Blessings

Your Sister, Deborah Felder
Your Niece, Jaida Senghor

Congratulations!

The Administration, Departmental Directors

Office staff and members of the Northeastern Conference join with

Adventists across North America in Congratulating our own

Dr. William D. Felder

As

Oakwood College 2004 Alumnus of the year

Thank you for your service to Oakwood College and

Northeastern Conference

We wish you God's richest blessings!

Trevor H. C. Baker, President
Larry Bailey, Secretary
Seth Bardu, Treasurer

Congratulations and Best Wishes to

Dr. William D. Felder

on your selection as

Oakwood College Alumnus of the year 2004

May God continue to bless you as you press toward the Kingdom!

Your church family at the

Market Street S.D.A. Church
34th and Market Street
Oakland, California

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Dr. William D. Felder upon being chosen as Oakwood College Alumnus of the year 2004.

May you continue to grow in the grace of our Lord and Savior, and may you and yours receive and enjoy the rich blessings of Jesus Christ.

May God be praised for giving you the wisdom to live for Him, and to influence others for His kingdom.

Our love, prayers, and best wishes for you and yours until
the return of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

CLARENCE and ERNESTA BROWN

Sincere Congratulations
and
Best Wishes
to

Pastor William D. Felder

Oakwood College Alumnus of the Year 2004

African-American Ministries
Northern California Conference
Virgil Childs, Coordinator
Effie Brown, Secretary

Congratulations!!

To My Big Brother W.D.

Oakwood College
Alumnus of the Year 2004

Thank you for the love and support that you have always shown to your siblings. It was the example that you set that encouraged all of us to reach high, achieve, and keep God first.

As firstborn and "Chairman of the Board", we salute you.

Momma was always proud of you and she would have been even more so today, just as we are.

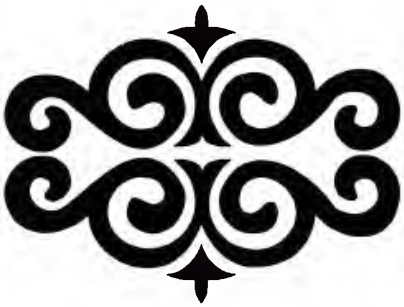
May God continue to bless you, indeed,
and enlarge your territory, and reach
His mighty hand to touch you and keep
evil from you that it may not grieve you.

Love, Your Sister
Alicia Felder Cain, M.D.

Congratulations to the Oakwood College

2004 Alumnus of the Year

Dr. William D. Felder



Esteemed Brother

Affectionately called "Chairman of the Board"

Marjorie and John Taylor

The Pastor and Members of the
Bethesda Seventh-day Adventist Church
Congratulate

Dr. William D. Felder

on being honored as
Oakwood College Alumnus of the Year 2004

Dr. Felder served as pastor of the Bethesda SDA Church from 1970-1973 and was instrumental in the church establishing a school which continues to operate as the Bethesda Elementary School, grades Pre-K to 8

He will always be fondly remembered by our church for his leadership and contribution. We wish for him the best in this distinct recognition, and pray that God will continue to richly bless his ministry.

Pastor A. Llewellyn Williams

CONGRATULATIONS
AND
LOVE TO

PASTOR WILLIAM D. FELDER

Oakwood College
Alumnus of the Year

May God always be your
Captain in the Game of Life

The Capital City SDA Church
Arthur Morgan - Pastor
Annette Mobley - Treasurer
Vashti P. Johnson - Clerk

Congratulations
And
Best Wishes

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Harry Dixon, Treasurer

Jamaica Seventh-day Adventist Church

88-28 163rd Street Jamaica, New York 11432 (718) 297-1113

Congratulations to Dr. William D. Felder, Oakwood College Alumnus of the Year 2004

May God bless you!

Dr. James L. LaMar and the Members of the Jamacia SDA Church

FROM EVERY CHRISTIAN TO EVERY MAN - WORK FOR JESUS WHILE YOU CAN - IT'S HARVEST TIME

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES

ELDER WILLIAM D. FELDER

FROM
YOUR BROTHER AND SISTER-IN-LAW

DR. HENRY E. & MRS. CLARA FELDER

Congratulations
Pastor Felder

Oakwood College Alumnus
of the
Year 2004

In the summer of 1967 a tent revival was taking place on the corner of Pendleton and Eastern Ave. in Springfield, MA. As I was walking to the community package store I had to pass by the tent. I could hear the minister's words and soon realized the message I heard was the message my soul was searching for.

I invited Pastor Felder home for Bible studies but my husband wasn't open to the Seventh-day Adventist message. Eventually, with the Holy Spirit, prayer, and Pastor Felder's firm words and handshake he slowly was able to win my husband's trust and respect. After continuous Bible studies my four children and I gave our souls to the Lord and were baptized. Years later my husband would give his soul to the Lord and was baptized.

Our friendship with Pastor Felder has continued for over thirty years. I thank Yahweh for sending Pastor Felder, his family, and new members into our lives.

Reilous and Catherine Latney
and
The Latney Family

CONGRATULATIONS!!

to

My Sweetheart

WILLIAM DONALD FELDER, JR., Ph.D.

OAKWOOD COLLEGE
ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR 2004

Although it's quite a statement,
it happens to be true.
The best friend that I have,
I'm glad to say is you.

You're there whenever I need you,
and you never turn away.
I know I can depend on you
at any time of day.

We have our ups and downs
as nearly everybody does,
but problems never last for long
with special friends like us.

My companion, my love, my truest pal,
what more could a soul really want.
There's not much else that you can give,
my dearest friend and confidant.

I'm Proud of You
God Bless You Always
Your Wife, Gloria

Congratulations!

Dr. William D. Felder

Oakwood College Alumnus
of the year.
We rejoice with you, my friend
and fellow colleague

Benjamin Cummings
Ministerial Director, NEC

Congratulations
Pastor William D. Felder
on being selected as

Oakwood College Alumnus of the Year

We are very Proud of your achievement!

Benita, Larry, Alberta, Marvin, & Family

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU,
DR. W. D. FELDER,

UPON RECEIVING THE
DISINGUISHED HONOR OF BEING SELECTED
AS OKWOOD COLLEGE'S

ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR 2004!!

THE FELDER FAMILY OF DELAWARE,

RICHARD, GAIL, AND THEIR SONS,
STEPHEN & DERIN

In Loving Memory of Our Parents, Sisters, & Brothers

Mom, Dad and Lett Children

Elizabeth Lett Rudd
Franklin Thomas Lett
Don Carleton Lett
Charles Lett
Henry Harrison Lett
Clara Lett Taylor
Floyd Benjamin Lett
Jean Lett Greene
Raymond August Lett

Compliments
of

Edna Lett Williamson - Barbara Lett Simmons
Robert Delano Lett

Congratulations

Elder William D. Felder, Ph.D.

Oakwood College

Alumnus of the Year 2004

From

Elder J. R. Ellis Pastor

and

The 10th Street Seventh-day Adventist Church Family

1407 Northeast 10th Street

Oklahoma City, OK 73117

Caring is good...doing something is better!

Adventist Community Services

Earl and Karriem Dixon

Congratulations

Dr. William D. Felder

In loving appreciation for your dedicated and warm-hearted ministry

Dr. Mary E. Brown, M.P.A., Ph.D

And her husband, Henry Browm

(Your Golfing Buddies)

Congratulations
to
Oakwood College
Alumnus of the Year

William D. Felder, PhD

May God continue to
bless you and your family.

Charles and Patricia Scott-Broom

Alumnus of the Year

Dr. William Felder

Congratulations!

From
Nehemiah and Joycelyn Johnson

Congratulations

Dr. William D. Felder
Recipient of such a deserving honor

"Keep pressing on toward
the ultimate prize"

Florence Murray

In Honor of My Brother
C. Dunbar Henri

Congratulations
and
Best Wishes
To Our Good Friend

Dr. W. D. Felder

Alumnus of the Year 2004

(Knight Consulting)

Heather Knight Ph.D.
Norman Knight M.Div.

Dr. William D. Felder

Congratulations!

The joy of this moment is certain to be a time that you will treasure in warm memory

Best Wishes Always

Andrew and Bernadine Weir

Congratulations!!

Elder William D. Felder

I am delighted that you were chosen as Alumnus of the Year 2004

Best Wishes to you and yours

Juanita Bray

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

PASTOR W. D. FELDER

AND MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU IN HIS SERVICE

Sabbath School Class #2
Mount of Olives SDA Church

Congratulations to Pastor Felder

Students attending Oakwood College have set many goals and achievements. My advice to you today is something I read by Raymond O. West.

"What is the bulge in your life that is keeping you from reaching your desired goals? Give it to Jesus and expect a miracle."

Robert & Michael Ann Sparks

Dr. William D. Felder

I am thankful for this opportunity to congratulate and encourage my fellow yoke bearer. My brother in Christ! May your ideal be high enough to inspire you and low enough to encourage you.

In service for Christ
Virce L. Miller, Bible Worker
Oakland - Market Street Church

Dear Poppy

ROSES ARE RED
VIOLETS ARE BLUE
GUESS WHO'S THE MOST
PROUD OF YOU?

YOUR GRAND CHILDREN
Baraka and Malala

"Thank you for letting me wear your dress hat around the house!"
Love, "Cool-Cat-Baraka"

"Thank you for baking bwead for me."
Love always, "Malala-loop"

Congratulations
to
Elder Felder
and
Best Wishes
on being honored
as
Oakwood College
Alumnus of the Year 2004

God has truly blessed your ministry

Margurite Hilts

Pastor William D. Felder

Congratulations
for being honored as
Alumnus of the Year
2004

We could not be there
in person, but we are
with you in spirit.

Kenneth A. and Shirley A. Morrison

Alumna of the Year

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

Dr. Sandra Neely Herndon was born in Key West, Florida and is one of thirteen children. Her early memories of the picturesque island are of the beautiful beaches, the tropical fruit, and the carefree lifestyle. At the age of ten, she moved to Washington, D.C. She attended Washington Union Academy SDA church school, where her aunt, Arimentha Neely was a teacher. Although Dr. Herndon was raised as a Episcopalian, she accepted the Lard at age thirteen and was baptized at the Ephesus Church (no Dupont Park) in Washington, D.C.

After completing high school, she enrolled at Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama. She was active in various campus activities and served as president of the Education Club. She graduated with a B.S. in Elementary Education. Following graduation, she was employed by the Lake Region Conference to teach grades 5-8 at the Capitol Avenue church school in Indianapolis, Indiana. In reflection, Dr. Herndon notes that this was a challenging undertaking for a first year teacher and the experience she says, "helped to shape her beliefs about Christian Education." She later moved to Berrien Springs, Michigan to join her husband, Edward, who was completing his graduate studies at Andrews University. While in Michigan, Dr. Herndon abtained her Masters Degree in education with a specialty in Reading Education from Michigan State University. She worked as a classroom teacher and reading specialist in the Benton Harbor, Michigan Public School System before moving to New York in response to a call she and her husband received from the Northeastern Conference.

Dr. Herndon served the Northeastern Conference Education Department for eighteen years in various capacities-Supervisor of Schools, Reading Specialist/Consultant, and Superintendent of Schools. She has the unique distinction of being the first African-American female to serve as a Superintendent of Schools in the North American division of Seventh-Day Adventists.

As superintendent of School, she contributed significantly to the improvement of Christian Education in the Northeastern Conference. Dr. Herndon coordinated the development of a Comprehensive K-12 Reading Guide to strengthen reading instruction in the classroom. Professional development opportunities and the certification status of principals and teachers increased during her administration. She was frequently asked to travel to other conferences to conduct professional development seminars and training on how to develop an effective school-wide reading program. Dr. Herndon also served on several Atlantic Union and General Conference Education Committees. She was a member of the General Conference Reading Steering Committee which developed the Life Reading (textbooks) series which is still being used in SDA church schools throughout the North American Division.

Dr. Herndon continued her education and obtained a Doctorate in Curriculum and Teaching in 1992 from Teachers College, Columbia University.

Dr. Herndon is currently employed by the New York State Education Department as Supervisor of Intra/Interagency Collaborations. In this capacity she provides leadership in building alliances with city agencies, school improvement, educational planning, and community outreach. She continues to involve the Education Departments of the Northeastern and Greater New York Conference in professional development conferences and workshops sponsored by the New York State Education Department. She enjoys serving as a mentor to individuals entering the field of education.

In addition to her professional work, Dr. Herndon, has been involved in the Education, AYS, Family Life, and Sabbath School Departments at the Mount Vernon, SDA Church. She assists her husband in a special church project to send "boxes of cheer" to soldiers from their church who are serving in Iraq. She is a member of the New York Chapter of the Oakwood College Alumni Association.

Dr. Herndon is married to the much-loved Edward, (Don) Herndon, Religion Teacher at Northeastern Academy. They are the parents of Erika Herndon-Parris, (son-in-law, Lester Parris) and Elaina.

Dr. Herndon's motto is"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:5,6.

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The Atlantic Union Conference Office of Education is excited that Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon has been selected as, 'Alumna of the Year' 2004 for Oakwood College.

She is most deserving of the title, having dedicated her entire career to the pursuit of excellence in education.. She ministered in the Atlantic Union as a creative classroom teacher and an able administrator, serving the Northeastern conference for many years as Superintendent of Schools.

We Salute You Dr. Herndon!. May God's richest blessings be yours as you continue in His service.

Rosemary Tyrrell
Director of Education

Congratulations to
Dr. William D. Felder, Pastor
for outstanding achievement

Oakwood College Alumnus of the Year 2004

From the Market Street SDA Church
Oakland Alumni Association
Oakland , California

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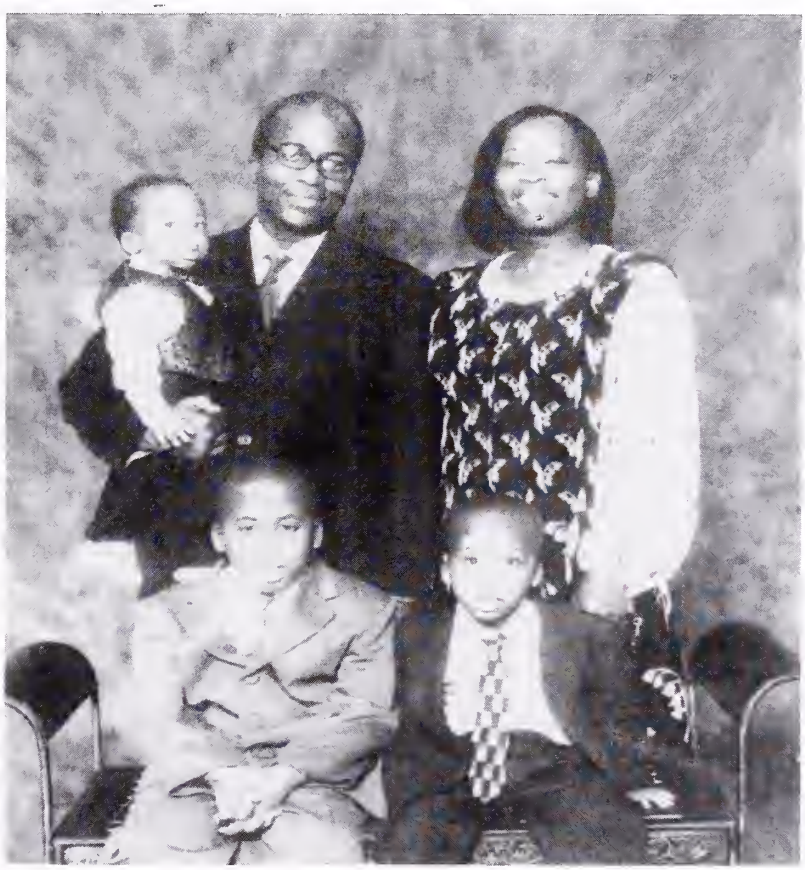
President- Carolyn Monk
Treasurer-Dorothy Lawrence
Secretary-Eleta Cook

To Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon:

"A wife of noble character, who can find? She is worth far more than rubies. Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life. She is clothed with strength and dignity; ... Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all. Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her the reward she has earned, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate."

Proverbs 31 Vs. 10-12, 25, 29-31, NIV



TO GOD BE THE GLORY!
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ENDEAVORS and ACCOMPLISHMENTS,

With Love from the Onyeije Family:
Chukwuma, Nwaozichi, Obinna (8), Nnamdi (3), Chidi (1).

CONGRATULATIONS
TO
DR. SANDRA NEELY-HERNDON
ALUMNA OF THE YEAR

Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed.

Booker T. Washington

ALL THE BEST!

FROM

Henry, Judith, Sheri, Tarameka and Brendon Bowen
Elmsford, New York

Congratulations

and

Best Wishes

to

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

Alumna of the Year

2004

Christian, Wife, Mother, Teacher,
Administrator, Unselfish, Meek,
Kind, Honest, Untiring, Faithful,
Humble, and Loving

Compliments of the Pastor, Officers and Members of
Mount Vernon Seventh-day Adventist Church
Willis Reed – Pastor
Edward Herndon – First Elder
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Congratulations

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

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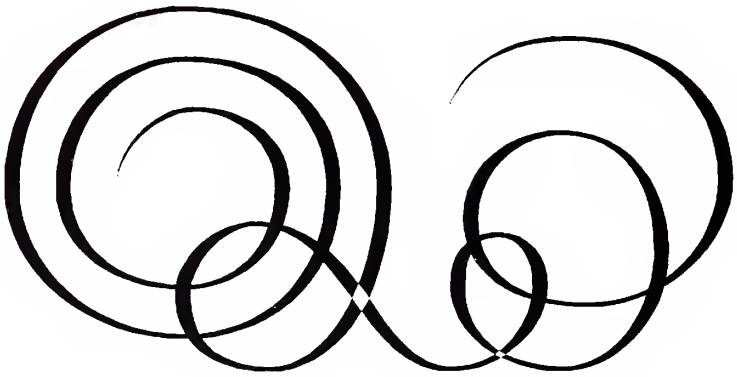

Best Wishes Always
Godfrey S. South
Mount Vernon, New York

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Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

for her untiring contributions

in the field of education.

All of us

at Queench, Inc.

applaud your efforts and achievements.

Best wishes to you as recipient

of

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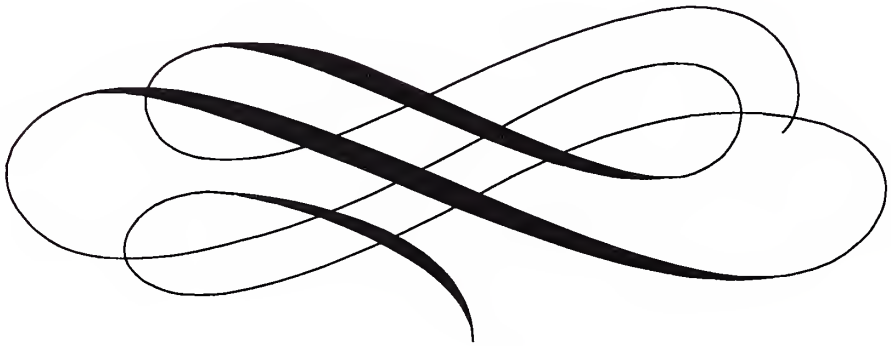
Congratulations Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
2004 Alumna of the Year
Oakwood College Alumni Association

May God Continue to Bless You!



Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventist

Trevor Baker
President

The Mt. Vernon Ladies
take pleasure in commemorating the event of
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
As Oakwood College Alumna of the Year 2004

Congratulations Dr. Herndon

She has always worn the badge as Oakwood Alumna with great pride, therefore this distinguished award is well deserved.

Best Wishes for Peace, Prosperity and Success

The Ladies of the Mt. Vernon SDA Church
Mount Vernon, New York

THE NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
PROUDLY SALUTES

DR. SANDRA NEELY HERNDON

FOR YOUR COMMITMENT
AND FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP
IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION

Quality is never an accident
It's always the result
of high intention, sincere effort,
intelligent direction and skillful execution.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

Dr. Shelia Evans-Tranumn, Associate Commissioner
New York State Education Department
Office of School Improvement and Community Services (NYC)

CONGRATULATIONS!

DR. SANDRA NEELY-HERNDON

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU

We are so proud that you are being saluted as the 2004 Alumna of the Year! You have made a difference in the lives of so many people.

As members of your family we thank God for your love and for your guidance through the years.

KEEP US LAUGHING FOR A LONG TIME!

We Love You

Edward Don Herndon, Your beloved husband of 37 years
Erika Yvette Herndon-Parris, Daughter
Lester Collins Parris, Son-in-Law
Elaina Marie Herndon, Daughter

From: Dr. Erogers Hykes

To Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

A very kindhearted, spiritual, caring, and inspiring woman. Remain the wonderful person that you are.

Congratulations on your award as 2004 Alumna of the Year

Congratulations

to

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

We love you!

Dr. and Mrs. Frank W. Hale, Jr.

With Open Arms and Deepest Joy

We Salute You, Dr. Herndon

On This Very Special Recognition

Our family thanks you for your dedication, devotion, and due diligence in the work of educating the youth and being a worthy role model.

Love, Always,
Dr. and Mrs. Walter and Mandy Ralph

Sandra,

To God Be The Glory, for all He has done, and continues to do in your life.

Mother and Auntie would be as proud of you as we are, for your academic achievements and the honor that is being bestowed upon you.

We love you and pray that God's blessings will always be with you.

Jean, James, Lysie, Joe, and his family

Dr. Sandra Herndon

May God bless you upon this your wonderful achievement. May His Spirit always be with you, may you continue to do great things for the Lord.

Love,
Mr. and Mrs. Clive Baker
Mt. Vernon SDA Church

Dr. Sandra Herndon

Congratulations and best wishes on this grand and memorable occasion. May God shower you with His richest blessings as you continue to shine in His vineyard.

Sterling Cox, Lynette Cox, David Cox
Mt. Vernon SDA Church

Congratulations for an honor well-deserved...

Dr. Sandra Herndon

2004 Alumna of the Year
Oakwood College Alumni Association

Compliments of
James & Myrna McClain
Niles, Michigan

Congratulations To
Dr. Sandra N. Herndon
2004 Alumna of the Year
Oakwood College Alumni Association

Your contributions to Christian Education, your years of service in Northeastern Conference as Educational Superintendent, and your loyalty to Oakwood College make you a worthy recipient of this honor.

Compliments of
Constance Strong Mayfield
Columbus, Ohio

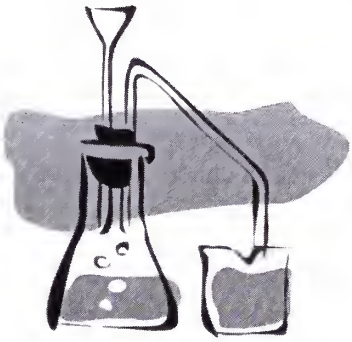
Congratulations to **Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon** on this special occasion of your recognition. We share this splendid moment with you and truly appreciate your service and dedication to the Education Committee of the Mount Vernon Church. May God continue your blessings.

Education Committee Members

Dr. Winston Silvera, Education Secretary
Calder Barrows
Dr. Louis Browne
Elder George Coke
Lilieth Coke
Elder Edward Herndon
Wilhelmina Riley
Rebecca Riley
Elder Violet Thompson
Elder Ernest Whonder
Willis Reed, Pastor

Congratulations to Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon on your selection as Oakwood College Alumna of the Year. You sincerely deserve this honor. Your service, your dedication and contributions in the field of Christian Education is truly noteworthy. May God continue your blessings.

Sincerely
Dr. Winston Silvera
NYC Operation Chemistry Project



Congratulations
and
Best Wishes
to
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

For being chosen and honored as
The Alumna of the Year

Wilhelmina & Rebecca Riley

Congratulations and Best Wishes
to
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

For being chosen and honored as
Alumna of the Year

Robert and Miriam Murray
and Family

Congratulations
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

May God continue to bless and keep you.

Laurent and Nicole Servius
Brooklyn, New York

CONGRATULATIONS
TO
DR. SANDRA HERNDON
2004 Alumna of the Year
For Oakwood College

Compliments of
Your Friend, Esmee J. Bovell
Former Superintendent of Education
Northeastern Conference
Retired and residing in Berrien Springs, Michigan

CONGRATULATIONS
TO OAKWOOD COLLEGE
AS YOU CELEBRATE YOUR 37TH
ANNUAL HOMECOMING.

MAY GOD'S BLESSINGS WITH YOU
ALWAYS.

FROM
SIMEON & ETHLYN WEBB

Congratulations
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
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Dear Dr. Herndon:

Please accept our wholehearted congratulations on your award.

We would also like you to know that it has been a privilege, pleasure and an inspiration to work, socialize and fellowship with you and your family over the years.

May God bless your continuing sacrifice in service to Him and humanity and grant you the ultimate award.

Lovingly,
Owen, Lilieth, Alexis and Christopher

Congratulations
to
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
Alumna of the Year-2004

"Only Fear the Lord and serve Him in truth with all you heart;
for consider what great things He hath done for you."
1 Samuel 12:24

Love
From The Thompsons
Violet, Desmond, Giana and Na Lani

Best Wishes And Congratulations
To
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
Alumna of the Year

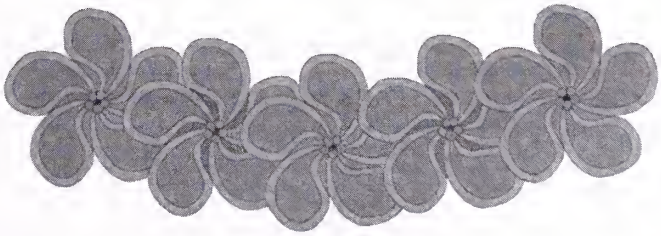
Shirley & Harold Baptiste
Laurel, Maryland

Congratulations

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
2004 Alumna of the Year

From
Mr. & Mrs. Walford Myrie
New Rochelle, New York

Congratulations Dr. Herndon



From
Tuitt Family

Congratulations Sandra

You hold a special place in my heart.

Phyllis C. Morales

It gives us geat pleasure to send
Warmest Congratulations
to
Oakwood College
and to
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

to this occasion, of being selected
Alumna of the year 2004

Best Wishes
Joseph, Winsome and Richard Anthony

Our Congratulations
to
Dr. Sandra Herndon

Distinctive Alumna of the Year 2004
selected by
Oakwood College Alumni Association

Compliments
of
Barbara Maxwell Barker & Meryl Joseph Hinkle
Members of Oakwood College Alumni Association
Los Angeles, California

"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." 3 John 2

Dr. Hillary Whonder-Genus
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Congratulations
Dr. Sandra Herndon

May God continue to bless you and your familly.

Hyacinth Allison

Congratulations
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

Carl & Dorothy Preddie

CONGRATULATIONS
SANDRA NEELY-HERNDON

YOU ARE TRULY DESERVING OF THIS HONOR. YOU HAVE TOUCHED THE LIVES OF SO MANY, ESPECIALLY THE CHILDREN OF NORTHEASTERN CONFERENCE. I'M GLAD I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP.

LOVE,
EDITH L. GREER

CONGRATULATIONS
TO A
GREAT FRIEND, EDUCATOR,
AND A TRUE CHRISTIAN.

From
Phillip, Alison, Brian
Sonia & Skipworth McDonald

Dr. Sandra Herndon

You go, girl!!

CONGRATULATIONS

Carl and Tecora Rogers

Congratulations, Sandra. Surely, the Lord has "ordered" your steps. Both the "steps" and "stops" of our lives are ordered by the Lord; the important thing is for us to follow where He leads.

Love,
Pastor & Mrs. Willis Reed, Sr.

Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert Cox

Congratulate you,

Dr. Sandra Herndon,

On this special occasion.

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

Congratulations

May God richly bless you

The Osborne & Fields Family

Sandra Herndon

Congratulations

May God Bless You

Una

Congratulations
to
Honoree
Dr. Sandra Herndon

May God continue to bless you and your beautiful family.

From
Cherry, Tony, Tammy and Laurie-Anne

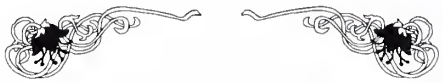
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

Thank you for giving me the privilege of sharing this special honor with you.

Congratulations!

Gloria Nelson

DR. SANDRA HERNDON



CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD BLESS

JOHN AND KATHERINE AGARD

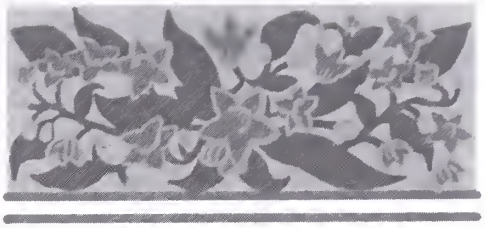
Congratulations...

on your many years of successful Educational Leadership

to

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

Compliments of your friend,
Helen Martin Griffiths



Congratulations and Best Wishes To

Dr. Sandra Herndon

"He who climbs above the cares of this world, and turns his face to God, has found the sunny side of life."

From
Margery L. Morgan

Congratulations
Dr. Sandra Herndon

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Congratulations To
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

You've made your Alma Mater proud. You've touched so many lives and in so many different ways. May God coninue to guide you as you seek to serve Him and your fellowmen.

From: George & Lileth Coke

CONGRATULATIONS
DR. SANDRA NEELY-HERNDON

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With God all things are possible.

Effie & Suzanne Barnett

Sandra Neely-Herndon

Congratulations -
On being selected as
Alumna of the Year 2004

May God continue to bless you
Your friends-
Portia, Vivian & Adrian

Congratulations
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
on being selected as Oakwood College's
2004 Alumna of the Year!!!!

Georgia Bryant Oakes

CONGRATULATIONS, Sandra
You've come a long way
since your TC days...
Love,
Julie & Ron

Dear Sandra
Congratulations,
Born great!!! Achieved greatness!!
Greatness thrusted upon you (the Board of Directors OC) Smile!

You will always be the same to us.
The Morales & Moyer Ahuir Family
Phyllis, Dawn, Donald, Debra, David, Denise
1963-2004

CONGRATULATIONS
DR. SANDRA NEELY-HERNDON

God's richest blessings to OC.

Maisie Henry

Congratulations
Dr. Herndon

The Bramble Family

Congratulations
to
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
Oakwood's 2004 Alumna of the Year

From
Dr. Jennifer G. Sneed
and
Mr. W. Scott McMillan

Congratulations
Sandra Neely-Herndon

May God bless you and keep you.

-Your family-
Quedell Walker Moore
Billy Moore
Andreana Walker

Congratulations for an honor well-deserved Sandra! Northeastern schools were in good hands while you served as Superintendent of Education.

Paul & Joan Kilgore

To Dr. Sandra Herndon

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding." Proverbs 3:5

Hilda A. Furlow

Best Wishes To
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

From
Dr. Lillie Kumer

Warmest Congratulations To

DR. SANDRA NEELY-HERNDON

On Your Selection As Oakwood College
2004 Alumna of the Year

Very Best Wishes For The Brightest of Futures

Sincerely
Dr. Cedric Heath
Orlando, Florida

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TO EVERYONE'S DOOR

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To Elder G. Alexander Bryant,
Congratulations On Your Certificate of Merit

Al,
The boys and I are extremely grateful and proud of how you've allowed God to use you as a loving husband and father, son, brother, conference administrator, and friend. You've always been there for us and so many others; giving unselfishly of your time, talents, temple, and treasure. It is apparent that you've applied the words of Proverbs 3:5, 6, which states, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thy own understanding: In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy path." Because you've put God first, He has truly smiled on your life. Continue doing what you're doing, and keep the faith.

We Love You Very Much,
Desiree, Travis, Traven, & Terrence Bryant

Alex,
Congratulations on your Certificate of Merit Award. We're very proud of the many accomplishments you've made in your ministry; and with the Lord on your side, we are confident that He will continue to bless you abundantly. Keep your eyes on the prizr, and your hand in His hand. May God Richly Bless and Keep You.

Love,
Elder & Mrs. Calvin B. Preston & Family

Alex,
Congratulations on your Certificate of Merit Award. To God be the glory, great things Hes has done. Truly God has smiled on your ministry. We're proud of how you've allowed the Lord to use you in His vineyard. Continue to remain faithful to the Lord, until you hear those long awaited words, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, thou has been faithful over a few things; I will make you ruler over many things. May God Bless and Keep You.

Love,
Elder & Mrs. Roscoe J. Howard & Family

CONGRATULATIONS

G. Alexander Bryant

2004

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT HONOREE
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On behalf of the
Shawnee Mission Medical Center
Board of Trustees

SHAWNEE MISSION
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A SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICE

Congratulations

Drs. Oliver and Ruth Davis

On Your Achievement of being selected "Parents of the Year"

You are both more than deserving, spiritual icons for Oakwood College. Thank you for being wonderful role models as parents and teachers.

...and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth...Isa. 58:14

From the Brown's

Theodore, Sr.

Vickey

Theodore, II

Victoria

Vanitra

Congratulations
Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis
for being chosen the
2004 Parents of the Year

In memory of our parents
William & Dora Lee Richardson

We salute you for your contributions as Christian professionals and for the extraordinary job you have done with your children.

May God continue to bless you as you exhibit a Christian role model for other Christian families.

Submitted by the Richardson Sisters
of Plant City, Florida

Mary Candis

Minnie Davis

Ethel Woodard

Carrie Lewis

To my brother, Dr. William D. Felder

Congratulations on being chosen
Oakwood College Alumnus
for the year 2004

"The g lory of men should always be measured by the means they have used to achieve it."

Francois, Duc de la Rochefoucauld

John Felder

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(He Is My Brother)

SALUTES

PASTOR WILLIAM D. FELDER, PhD

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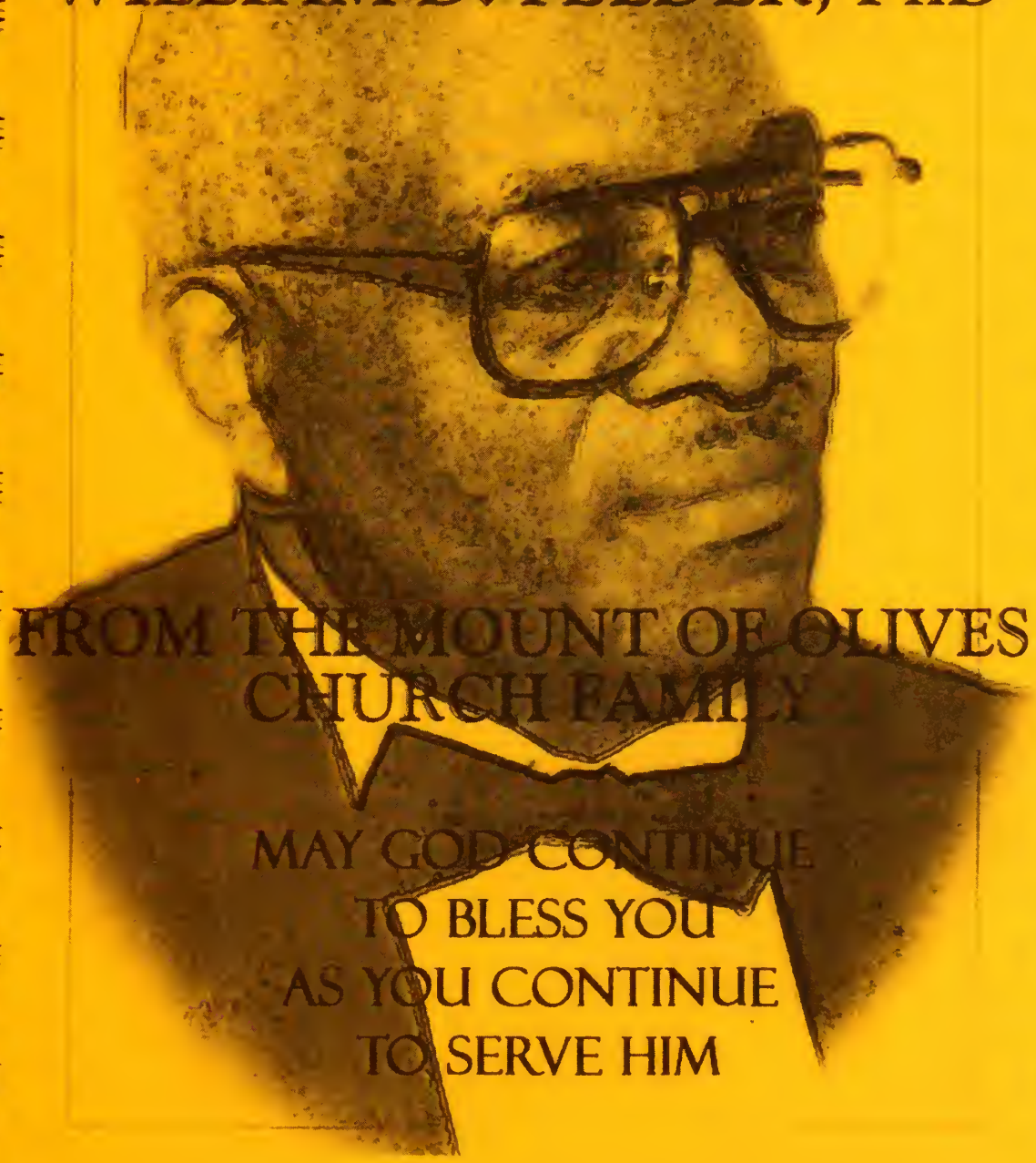

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you want me to.

Love,
Sydni

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Dear Isaac,

I would like to express my love and adoration for your strength as a Husband, Pastor and Father.

Your commitment to educating all of your children in a Christian environment speaks volumes of your love for God.

I am truly blessed to be your wife.

Love,
Eileen

Daddy,

I am so proud to call myself your daughter!

Your strong character, principled life and continued commitment to Christian education has inspired many others and me.

I love you!

Lorraine Lester, ESQ.

Dad, your character and love for us, demonstrated in so many ways, makes me proud to call myself your son.

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I LOVE YOU

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Dear Lord, take us under Thy control that we might live as Thou would have.

Help us to trust Thy wisdom for direction to face responsibility creatively. Thou dost sense our every need for all temptations are weighed by You before they reach us. And by Your Grace the deadly pains are removed that would pull us under.

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by your sweat and hard work,
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From,
Charles, Denise,
Patrick, Sloan & Madison

To My Boss,
My Friend and My Father...

...the man who continually
kept me out of trouble,
(well, most of the time).

Thanks so much for
believing in me.

Love,
Isaac, Jr.

Elder Isaac Lee Lester

To a devoted father
who sacrificed a lot
for all of us to get
us through school.

I look up to you
and thank you.

Love,
Audrey

Congratulations.

You are the best father a daughter could have.

May God bless you.
And, thanks for everything you have done for us.

Your Loving Daughter
& Son in Law,
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Our day lies open before us,
so turn us in the right direction.

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Certificate of Merit-
Allegheny East Conference

Anika Sampson

Anika Sampson is a 21st Century Oakwoodite who graduated two years in succession. The degree in Human Development and Family Studies was awarded to her in May 2000. Her degree in music was completed in 2001.

A third generation Seventh-day Adventist, Anika and her brother, children of George and Judy McGaddye Sampson, born and raised in Maryland were educated in the Adventist School System. As a Sampson, it was only natural that Anika would sing. She began her singing with her father in church. Thus began her career.

She attended Pine Forge Academy in Pottstown, Pennsylvania. It was at Pine Forge that she began formal voice training under Dr. Lloyd Mallory. A member of the academy choir, she was often featured as the soloist of the concert choir.

She received a vocal choral scholarship to Oakwood College and it was at Oakwood that her coloratura soprano voice was in demand. A member of the famed Oakwood College Aeolian, her solo in "The Lord Be Praised" and "Someday" always brought the house down.

She Plans to complete her graduate studies in vocal performance at Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland. Studying voice with Betty Ridgeway and a member of the renown Morgan State University Choir, under Dr. Nathan Carter, Anika is a frequent and favorite soloist.

Being a member of these two stellar choirs, Anika has traveled with them throughout the United States, Canada, Trinidad, Barbados, Canada, France, Czechoslovakia, and in January 2004, to Russia. While on these trips she was the principal soloist for the Scott Joplin's opera "Treemonisha", Georgia Greshwin's "Porgy and Bess", and Wynton Marsalis' "All Rise" compositions. She is sought after as the soprano soloist for Handel's Messiah.

Because of Anika dedication to her fellow schoolmates, church and community at large, Anika sings at weddings, funerals, and other events, many of which are out of the city. However, whenever her schedule permits it, there is never a time when asked to share her God-given talents that she hesitates to do so.

This past fall, when the Aeilians sang at the World Headquarters for Seventh-day Adventists and later that evening at a concert at one of the area churches, Anika voluntarily, along with the help of her mother, prepared lunches for the singers until they could eat their dinner meal.

As a member of the Metro-Washington Chapter, she is the second alumni in her age group to receive the Certificate of Merit from the Allegheny East Conference.

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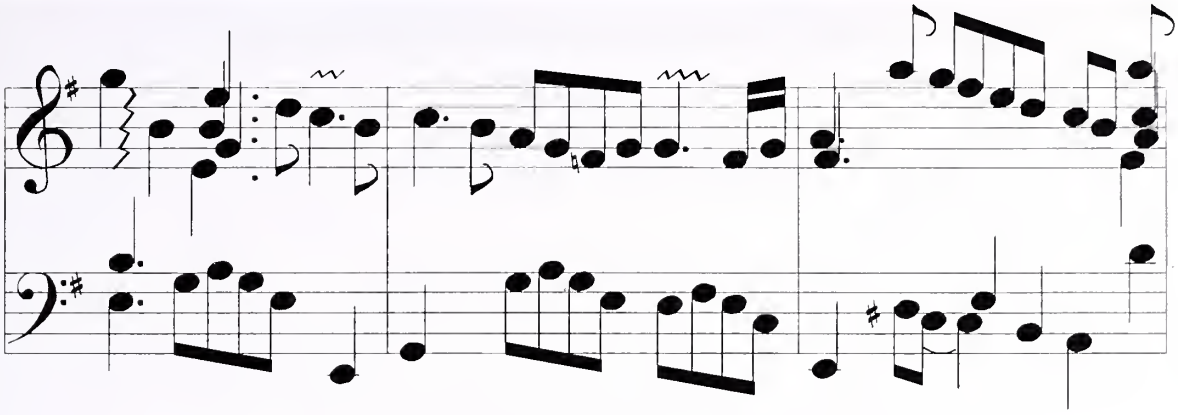


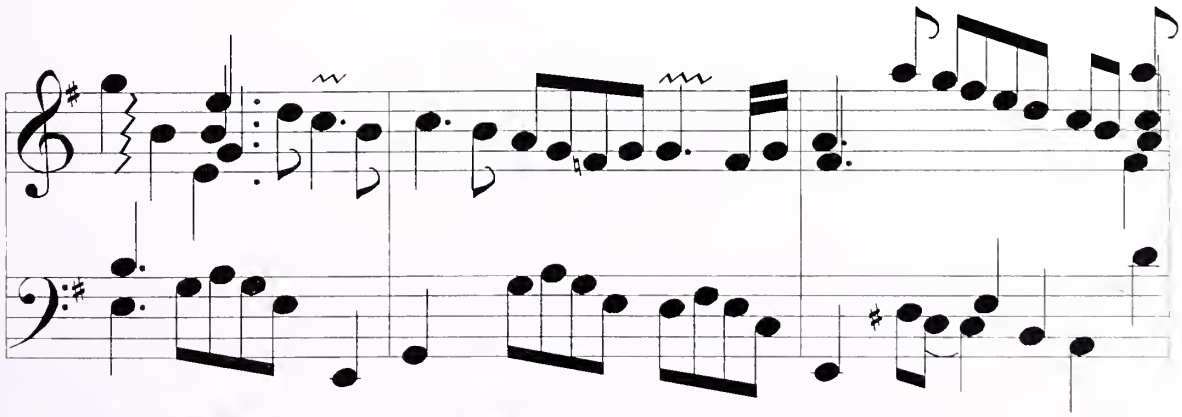
Congratulations Anika Sampson!!!!!!

What a pleasure to know you
through your parents roots.

What a pleasure to know that you
minister when and wherever you go.

May God continue to bless your musical
talents as you continue to minister for Him.
You have truly been a blessing to us all.

The Alfords, Bakers, McClains and Hunts



CONGRATULATIONS
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A young woman who lifts the burdens and brightens the hearts of many through her singing and who willingly helps anyone whenever she can.

God bless you as you minister to others.

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Again Congratulations and Much Love.

Your Mother and Father,

George and Judy Sampson

"Achievement is not about seeing the light at the end of the tunnel, it's about finding the light throughout the whole journey."

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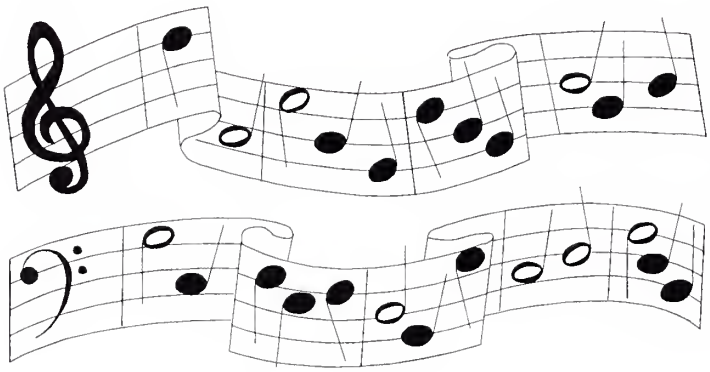

May God continue to bless
and keep you is our prayer.

Dr. Winston and Donna Richards
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Congratulations Anika for receiving the Allegheny East Certificate of Merit Award for 2004. We love you and we are so very proud of you.

May God continue to keep you and bless you always.

Love,
Grandmama & Granddaddy Sampson

Congratulations
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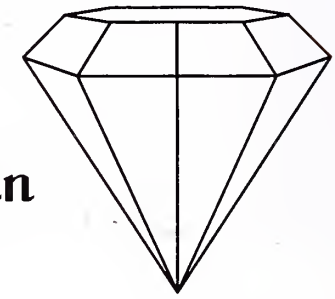
Dr. Clarence E. Hodges

Dearest Anika ("Niks),

You are as a precious jewel to our family. We beam with pride as you suceed in all your endeavors as you are so deserving. We love you and congratulate you on this accomplishment.



With much love,
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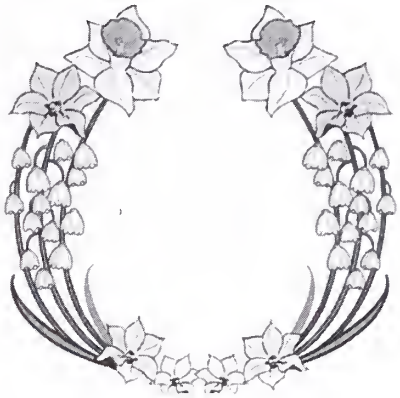

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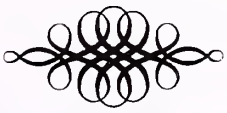
All the best!



Pastor & Mrs. M. C. Van Putten

Congratulations
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"Keep On Soaring!!!"

Dr. & Mrs. Frank W. Hale, Jr.

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May the Lord continue to bless you as you continue to lift your voice--and sing.

Love,

Angela & Leon Seard

Best Wishes
to
Anika Sampson

Continue to use all of your talents to glorify God.

Ella Murphy

Congratulations Anika Sampson

on your award

May God continue to bless you. We are proud of you and love you!

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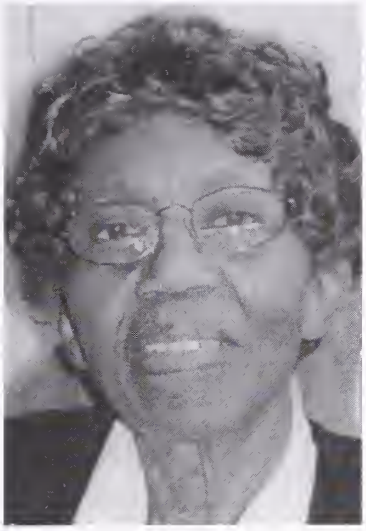

Certificate of Merit- Allegheny West Conference

Susie Ricks Wells

I am the tenth child of twelve children. I was born in Crawfordsville, Arkansas. I later moved to Memphis, Tennessee where I graduated from high school.

During World War II, I left Memphis in 1942 for Washington, D.C. to work for the government.

In 1943 I was baptized into the wonderful Seventh-day Adventist faith and became a member of the Ephesus Church. The persons responsible for me connecting with the great movement were Neda Taylor, a co-worker and a roommate and Mrs. Lucy Brown, my landlady. In this home I was privileged to listen to the radio broadcast of the Voice of Prophecy under the leadership of H.M.S. Richards.

Elder H.D. Singleton, President of South Atlantic Conference of Seventh-day Adventist, came to Washington recruiting workers. I left Washington in 1946 to become a working part of the South Atlantic Conference and become the secretary to Elder L.S. Follette. I became acquainted with many Christian friends. One thing that has stood out in my mind is that as a new member I was not convinced that I should return tithe on my gross. Elder Fitzgerald Jenkins with patience and kindness changed my mind. to this day I believe it and faithfully return God's tithe on my gross. I was a working member of the Berean SDA Church in Atlanta, Georgia.

After working for the South Atlantic Conference for one year, I received a leave of absence and went to Oakwood College. There was not and is not a place like it. I received a deeper grip on my faith.

While at Oakwood I met Oscar David Wells, a Christian young man.

I then returned to Dear South Atlantic to work. Elder Follette joined Oscar and me in Holy Matrimony. All who know Elder Follette knew him as a man of humor. He said to us, "Everyone I join together stays together." This was a true statement. Oscar passed away May 22, 2003. We were married December 25, 1948 and were still together at the time of his death.

We moved to Cincinnati, Ohio in 1949 where we reared three lovely daughters.

Karen Melanie Williams graduated from Oakwood in 1972 receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Home Economics. She earned a Masters Degree from the Ohio State University in 1976. She taught Home Economics one year at Pine Forge Academy, Pottstwon, PA. and three years in The Cincinnati Public Schools. Currently, she is employed as a Extension Urban Specialist for The Ohio State University.

Our second daughter, Phyllis Elaine Clay, graduated from Columbia Union College in 1972 as a Language Major. After receiving her Bachelor's Degree, she was hired by Oakwood Academy where she taught French and Spanish for six years. She received her Master's Degree from The University of Alabama, Birmingham. She is now a foreign language teacher in Irondale, Alabama Public Schools, and frequently travels to foreign countries to enhance her skills. She also assists in the Seventh-day Adventist Latino Ministry in Birmingham, Alabama.

Our third daughter, Toni Delores Mays, graduated from Oakwood College in 1975 receiving an Associate's Degree in Nursing and a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, both Summa Cum Laude. She is presently working as a public health nurse for the City of Cincinnati.

We have four granddaughters, one grandson (junior at Oakwood College), and three great granddaughters.

I have been a member of the Shiloh SDA church in Cincinnati, Ohio since 1949. I have held several offices; Home and School Secretary, Sabbath School Superintendent and teacher and Stewardship Secretary. I am working with our church's stewardship team.

After being healed of two terminal illnesses in 1973 and 2002 while in Cincinnati, my final comment can best be expressed by the words of an anonymous song writer, "Just a closer walk with thee, grant it Jesus is my plea, daily walking close with thee, let it be, dear Lord, Let it be."

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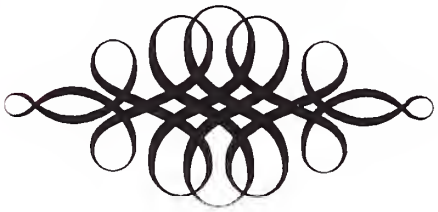

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May God continue to bless you and keep you.

"Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised."

Proverbs 31:29-30

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Best Wishes

to

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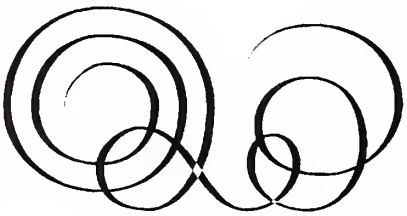

Karen M. Wells Williams

Certificate of Merit - Central State Conference

Elder G. Alexander Bryant

Elder G. Alexander Bryant is currently serving as the President of the Central States Conference of Seventh-day Adventists Headquarters located in Kansas City, Kansas. His path to this position began with a degree in Theology and Business Administration from Oakwood College in 1981.

His Ministerial experiences have primarily been the midwest with the Central States Conference. He began his ministry in 1982 in Springfield, Missouri, Coffeyville and Independence, Kansas. While in Springfield, Elder Bryant organized a church whose membership grew to fifty. From there, he was assigned to the Community Seventh-day Adventist Church in Denver, Colorado. During his tenure with this church, the membership grew from 35 to 200. He and the congregation built a new edifice valued at more than $500,000.00.

In 1985, Elder Bryant was ordained to the gospel ministry and continued his education by earning a Master of Divinity degree from Andrews University in 1988. After graduating from Andrews University, he was assigned to the Beacon Light, Sharon Chapel, and Breathe of Life Seventh-day Adventist Churches in Missouri.

The Central States voted Elder Bryant to serve as Youth Pathfinder, NSO and Temperance director in 1990. In 1992, he was given the additional assignment of Education Superintendent.

During his college years, Elder Bryant's gift of administration allowed him to serve as Adventist youth director while at Oakwood College, and BSAS president at Andrews University. While serving as Youth director of the Central States Conference, his peers (Regional Conference Youth directors) elected him to be the president of the Black Adventist Youth Directors' Association president, also known as BAYDA.

The constituents of Central States Conference also recognized that God has given Elder Bryant the gift of Administration and elected him to serve as their president in 1997.

Elder Bryant is married to the former Desiree Wimbish, who serves as Superintendent of Education for Central States Conference as well as principal of the V. Lindsay Seventh-day Adventist School in Kansas City, Kansas. They are the parents of their three children, Travis, Traven, and Terrence.

Sam & Sharon Turner

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Congratulations and Best Wishes to our President and Friend. May God continue to bless you in your ministry to others.

Albert R. Groves, Kathryne M. Groves, and Dr. Darlene M. Jenkins

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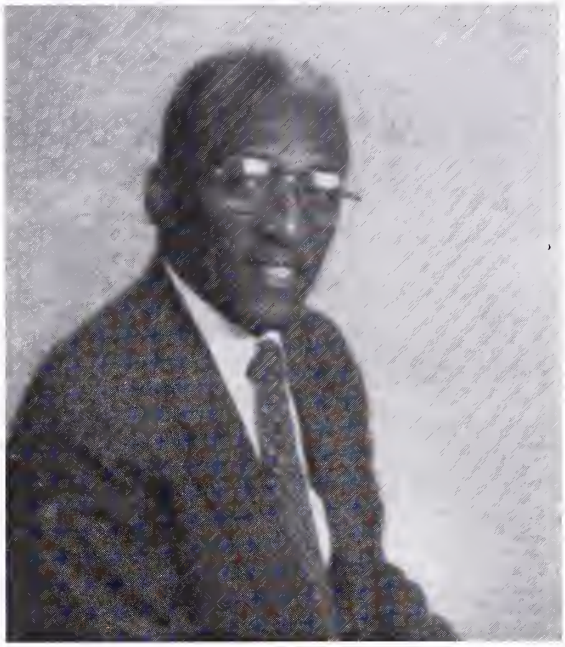

Pastor Willard Hall

In the fall of September 1936, Willard Hall was born to the late Fannie Mae and Davis Hall. It was the 21st day of the month and the place was Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania. Willard is the seventh of sixteen siblings, but he did not arrive alone. He is a twin to Wilbert Hall who presently resides in Boynton Beach, Florida.

His education began in Edenborn Elementary School. For his freshman year of high school he attended the German Township High School. After his first year of high school the family moved to the North Union Township area in Uniontown, PA, it was there where he graduated and completed his high school studies.

From his youth Willard had a great ambition to fulfill the call to the ministry. So when the time was at hand he enrolled in Oakwood College. Because finances were tight he was not able to go straight through and work on his studies full-time, so he attended Oakwood, as the funds would allow. During these years Willard would often reflect onto the words of Frederick Douglass, "If there is no struggle, there is no progression".

On returning back to Oakwood College after a seven-year break, he met late Elsie Louise Gaskins. They were married on June 12, 1966. From this union came three children; Willard Jr., who deceased in his infancy, Joliette Alicia, who presently works as a counselor at York College of the City University or New York. She holds a Masters Degree in Social Work. She is married to Cleveland Woods, Jr., and Eric lamont who attended Oakwood College and Walla Walla College where he studied mechanical engineering.

After Pastor Willard Hall graduated from Oakwood College in 1973, Elder Harold Cleveland, president of the Allegheny West Conference at that time, extended a call to him offering a position as the associate pastor in Cincinnati, Ohio, working with Elder Willie Lewis at the Shiloh and Maranatha SDA Churches. Seven months later Elder George Earle, president of the Northeastern Conference at that time, offered him a position as a full time minister. Here he would labor for 30 long years, until the present administration decided to make cut backs due to lack of funds, this forced Pastor Hall into an early retirement.

In all his accomplishments, Pastor Hall knew that without Christ none of them would have been possible. The words he hid in his heart for mental and spiritual strength that aided in accomplishing his goals, is his favorite Bible verse found in Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." -Paul the Apostle.

CONGRATULATIONS

PASTOR WILLARD HALL

We are happy to be given this opportunity to express our appreciation for the quality of leadership that you and your late wife (Elsie Hall) exhibited while you were the pastor of our church (1995-1997). Your dedication, courage, diligence and ability to reach out to every member, is stil impacting our church and school.

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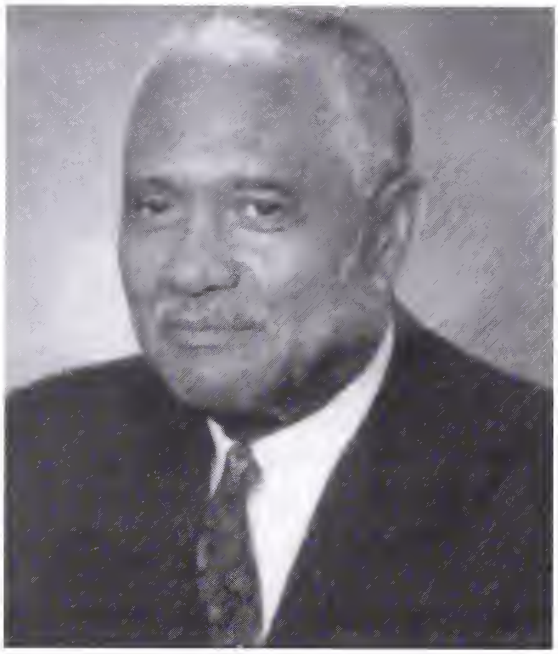

Isaac Lee Lester, Sr. B.A., M. Div.

Isaac Lester is a retired ordained minister of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. In that capacity, he pastored for more than forty-two years. During that same time he lectured on college campuses, served as a hospital chaplain, taught at several seminaries, and took a special interest in assisting younger ministers adjust to the varied challenges of leading churches to deeper spiritual depths. Friends and colleagues often say of him that his eyes and mind are seeking first the principles, next the values. He admits that his great reward is receiving invitations and calls from these long past members. He has baptized nearly fifteen hundred persons into their wider Christian experience during his active and post-active ministry.

Elder I. Lester was born in Eatonville, Florida in 1926. He was the youngest child of Henry and Sarah Lester, who were pioneer African-American Seventh-day Adventists in the late 1800s. His father was a literature evangelist and a charter member of the Mount Sinai Seventh-day Adventist Church in Orlando, Florida.

He served and was honorably discharged from the United States Army, after serving his country at the end of World War II and the Korean Conflict as a non-combatant. Thereafter, he attended Virginia Union University. Before becoming a full time pastor, he prepared for ministry by attending Hartford Seminary Foundation in Hartford, Connecticut.

Today, along with his middle son, he is involved in the publishing business. He is a principal in the company known as Diversity Publishing Company, Inc. ("DPC"). DPC publishes news magazines called THE EDUCATION HIGHWAY and HEALTHY HORIZONS. Both publications seek to promote greater educational opportunity and health awareness among minority populations. Though his active ministry has officially ended, Elder Lester continues to allow God to lead him in ministering to a wider community reached by the two publications.

Because of his recognized leadership, teaching ability, organizational skills and love of church worship, he was asked to write a series of lessons to be used at churches in their weekly Bible study. Additionally, Elder Lester has written two books entitled, Prayer of Life and Pointers Upon Entering Pastoral Ministry. Writing continues to be a devoted hobby that he enjoys today.

To
Elder Isaac Lester...

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I have great admiration and respect for you in your leadership as a father, minister and your commitment to higher learning.

Love,
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Grandpa, we love you!

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Uncle Isaac,
God has truly
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through your
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Love,
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To My Uncle Isaac,
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Thank You
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Milton A. Blackmon, Ed.D.

Dr. Blackmon grew up in Evanston, Illinois. After graduating from high school in 1972, he joined the army at age 17 and served three years, including one year in South Korea. While serving in the army, he was introduced to the Seventh-day Adventist Church and joined it. After being discharged from the army he enrolled at Oakwood College. He served one year as a student missionary in Japan where he taught English and Bible. In 1981 he graduated from Oakwood with a B.A. in Religion, during the same year he married Juliet Bartley (OC class of 1981) and he returned to Japan as a Special Service Missionary where he taught English at Japan Missionary College for two years.

After returning to the United States, Dr. Blackmon taught at Ramah Junior Academy in Savannah, Georgia. In 1987 he earned a master's degree in Educational Administration from Fayetteville State University in Fayetteville, North Carolina and assumed the position of Academic Advisor at the University of Akron in Ohio, a position he held for 11 years. While at Akron, he earned a doctorate in Educational Administration in 1992. He moved to Durham, North Carolina in 1998 to become the Assistant Director of the Academic Advising Center and Dean's Office at Duke University. He is also a Pre-health Professions Advisor at Duke.

His Community involvement include the positions as Vice Chair of the Governor's Council on Sickle Cell Syndrome, appointed by former Governor James Hunt in 1999 and reappointed by Governor Mike Easley in 2002; Adjunct Chaplain at Duke University Medical Center; former member of the Board of Directors of the Duke University Federal Credit Union; and life member of the NAACP. Dr. Blackmon also serves as Religious Liberty Leader, an Assistant Sabbath School Teacher, and a member of the Oakwood College Alumni Association at Immanuel Temple SDA Church.

Dr. Blackmon is listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers; received a commendation for Outstanding Achievement from the Ohio House of Representatives; and is listed in The National Register of Outstanding College Graduates for Leadership and Scholarship.

Dr. Blackmon and Juliet, a middle school Assistant Principal, are the parents of two sons.

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Dr. Eurydice V. Osterman

Eurydice V. Osterman, born in Atlanta, Georgia on April 5th to the Elder and Mrs. Francis Alexander and Ella Louise Osterman, seemed to have entered this world with special musical gifts. As a toddler, she was fascinated by the sounds she managed to create on the piano. The second of four girls, Eurydice's interest and talent in music surfaced at a very young age. She began taking formal piano lessons at the age of six from her parents who recognized and encouraged her musical talent. After graduating from Ephesus SDA Elementary school in Darlington, South Carolina and Shortridge High School in Indianapolis, Indiana, she enrolled at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan where she earned the Bachelor and Master of Music degree in music education with an emphasis in organ, studying with Dr. C. Warren Becker. She subsequently earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in composition and theory from the University of Alabama, studying with the late Harry Phillips.

Through the years Dr. Osterman's Musical talent blossomed more and more as she excelled artistically and creatively. Thus music has dominated her academic and professional interest. She began teaching in Seventh-day Adventist institutions in 1972 when she graduated from college, and has taught at Mt. Vernon Academy in Mr. Vernon, Ohio, Berean SDA Elementary in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and at Oakwood College where she has been since 1978. She currently holds the rank of professor of Music and has served that department as instructor, director of the College Choir (1978-1990) and Aeolian (1994-1996), one of the highlights of her career, and as department chair. Her love of music and her students is reflected in her strong devotion to both. She takes special interest in the academic success and well-being of each student and demands quality performance. She has served the college as an organist and a member of several committees, one of which was the chair of a subcommittee of the recent self-study process of the reaffirmation of accreditation. She has served the SDA church by participating on the recent General Conference Music Committee that is in the process of producing a philosophy and guidelines on music for the church, and as a presenter on music for the Youth Leadership Conference in Brazil in 2001. She serves her community as an organist for various churches in Huntsville.

Dr. Osterman has conducted music workshops and seminars throughout the United States, Europe, South America, the Bahamas, Bermuda, and Africa and is the author of the book What God Says About Music. She is in the process of writing a second book. Her musical works include two hymns in the Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal, keyboard, instrumental and numerous choral pieces and are cited in "A bibliography of Available Scores", Music by Black Women Composers CBRM Monographs, NO. 5 1995 by Helen Walker-Hill. Performance of her work include Alabama Public Television, the southern Chapter College Music Society Conference, Women Composers Symposiums, the Presidential Inauguration at the University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH), the UAH Composers Forum, Atlanta-Clark University, Fayetteville State University and choral concerts in many parts of the United States.

Dr. Osterman holds memberships in several professional organizations and is the recipient of numerous awards-Outstanding Young Women of America, Zapara Excellence in Teaching Award, Oakwood College Outstanding Teacher Award, Phi Kappa Lambda, a national honors society, the Music City Song Festival, and the American Guild and Organists composition competitions, to name a few. She is the former Dean of the Greater Huntsville Chapter American Guild of Organists.

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Dr. Osterman has a long and prestigious history of her own contributions of service and family connections to Oakwood College. In addition to her twenty-five years of service in the Department of Music, she has encouraged and assisted many Oakwood College students in their efforts to obtain a Christian education at the College.

Dr. Osterman has also given years of distinguished service as the organist of the Oakwood college Church and director of the College choirs and the Aeolians. She has been an inspiration to the congregation and the community.

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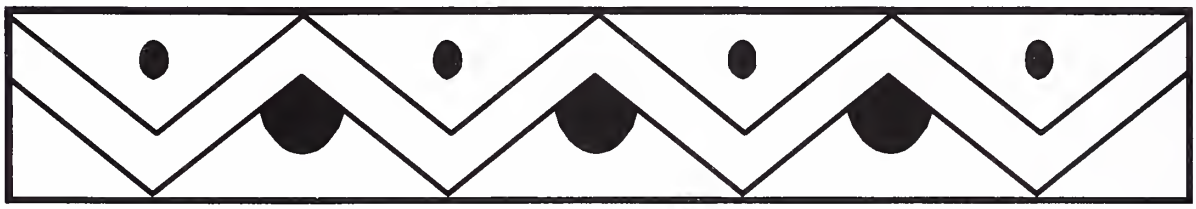

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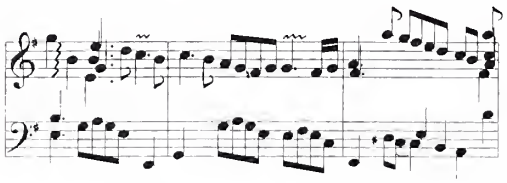

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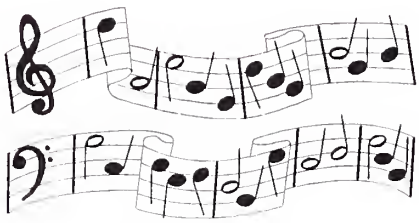

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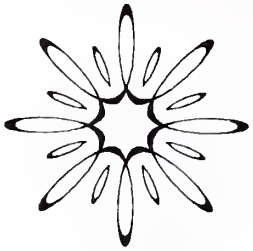

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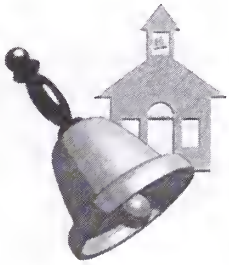

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BEST WISHES
TO
SOUTH CENTRAL
2004 CERTIFICATE OF MERIT
HONOREE

Dr. Eurydice Osterman

Annell M. Wright
Huntsville, Alabama

CONGRATULATIONS

EURYDICE OSTERMAN

Harry & Julie Nixon

John & E. Christina Thomas
141 Thunderbird Drive
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Congratulations
&
Best Wishes

Dr. Eurydice V. Osterman

May God Richly Bless You

Congratulations
Eurydice V. Osterman, D.M.A.
Certificate of Merit Honoree
South Central Conference

Pastor Joseph Louis Follette, Sr.
Huntsville, Alabama

Congratulations
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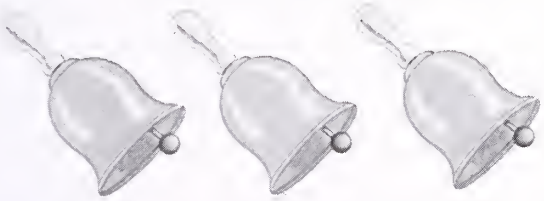
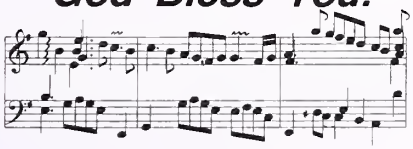


Oakwood College Church
Cathedral Chimes Handbell Choir

Best Wishes
Eurydice

Elder & Mrs. Robert L. Douglas

Congratulations
Eurydice Osterman
God Bless You!



Paul and Lenore Brantley

Congratulations Eurydice!

We applaud your service to OC.

Lela & Earl Gooding

Certificate of Merit-Southwest Region Conference

Elder Billy Wright

Elder Billy Wright started his education at Dunbar Junior and Senior High School in Texarkana, Texas. After graduating in 1965 he went to Prairie View A & M University in Prairie View, Texas where he majored in Electrical Engineering. In 1970 he attended Southwestern Adventist University in Keene, Texas, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. Elder Wright Majored in Theology and Minored in History. He furthered his education at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan. He graduated with a Masters of Divinity Degree in Old Testament Theology and Counseling.

From December 1972 to May 1973 he worked for the Southwest Region Conference of Seventh-day Adventists as an Associate Pastor for the Ephesus SDA Church in New Orleans, Louisiana. From May 1973 to October 1976 he worked for the same organization as a District Pastor in Albuquerque, New Mexico; Amarillo and Lubbock, Texas (740 Miles round trip). From October 1976 to March 1979 he was the District Pastor for Fort Worth and Wichita Falls, Texas; Ardmore, Oklahoma. From March 1979 to May 1991 he was the Director of Youth Ministries, Pathfinders, National Service Organization, Singles' Organization, Family Life Ministries, Health and Temperance Department. From May 1991 to May 2000 he was the Executive Secretary, Communications Director, and Stewardship Director. All for the territories of Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. From May 21, 2000 to the present day he has fulfilled the duties of President of Communications Directors and Ushers in Dallas, Texas.

He is the founder of the club "Basic" or Black Adventist Singles In Christ, Black Adventist Singles International Club. Elder Wright originated the "United Federations" concept within conference territories. He is the pioneer of "Family Life Programs" in the Southwest Region Conference. (Including workshops on Communication, Conflict Resolution, Anger in the Life of a Christian, How to Cope with Depression, Parent-teen Relationships, Rock and Christian Rock, Singleness-To be or Not to be, a theology of sex, self-esteem *I am somebody, Dating and Courtship Techniques, Homosexuality, and The Christian, "Who's the Boss in the House?") He is a Certified presenter and tester in the Taylor-Johnson Temperament Analysis program. Elder Wright is the founder of the "Bible Spelling Bee Program" of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and also the Genesis of the "Conference-wide Olympics Program" in Southwest Region Conference. He's the founder of the "Southwest Region Conference Annual Youth Awards Banquet".

In September 1967 he was one of five African-American students to integrate Southwestern Adventist University in Keene, Texas. In May 1970 he became the first African-American to graduate from Southwestern adventist University in Keene, Texas. In May 2000 he became the first of Southwestern Adventist University to become president of a Regional Conference. Also during that time he became the first non-Oakwood College Graduate to become president of a Regional Conference.

Elder Wright married the former Aletha M. Jenkins of Little Rock, Arkansas. Mrs. Wright graduated form the University of Arkansas School of Nursing, Little Rock, Arkansas with a B.S.R.N. degree in May of 1970. Mrs. Wright pursued graduate work at Texas Woman's University in Dallas, Texas. Her thesis focused on "Self-control of Black Adolescence With and Without Sickle Cell Anemia". Upon completion and defense of her thesis, Mrs. Wright received the Master of Science Degree in 1981. Mr. and Mrs. Wright have three lovely, grown children: Candace, Tammi, and Chaya.

In his spare time Elder Wright loves Word studies, Word games. He also is an avid sports fan, especially ping-pong, basketball, tennis, water skiing, jet-skiing, sailing, and boating.

The
Southwestern Union Conference
of
Seventh-day Adventists

Congratulates

Elder Billy E. Wright

Southwest Region Conference President

For being the recipient of the 2004 Certificate of Merit Award by the Oakwood College Alumni Association

Elder Max Trevino, President
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CONGRATULATIONS TO

ELDER BILLY E. WRIGHT

PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE

2004 CERTIFICATE OF MERIT HONOREE
SOUTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE
OAKWOOD COLLEGE NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

From the

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HOUSTON, TEXAS 77033
713.738.0840
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CARLTON P. BYRD, PASTOR

Best Wishes

Pastor Billy E. Wright

2004 Certificate of Merit
Southwest Region

May God continue to bless your ministry

Forest Hill SDA Church
Fort Worth, Texas

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELL WISHES

TO

OUR PRESIDENT, PASTOR BILLY E. WRIGHT

FROM

THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARIAT

Elder Shelton E. Kilby, III - Executive Secretary
Twila R. Turner - Administrative Assistant

Congatulations
to
Pastor Billy E. Wright

Southwest Region
2004 Certificate of Merit Honoree

Bellfort Seventh-day Adventist Church
Houston, Texas

"The greatest want of the world is the want of men-- men who will not be bought or sold, men who in their inmost souls are true and honest, men who do not fear to call sin by its rightname, men whose conscience is as true to duty as the needle to the pole, men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall."

Ellen Gould White, Education, P 57

Congratulations, President Billy E. Wright!

What an honor to be nominated as a recipient of the certificate of merit for our prestigious historal black college, Oakwood College.

The City Temple Seventh-day Adventist Church Family
Minister Alex Horton, Pastor
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Elder Billy E. Wright

SMYRNA SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
NAVASOTA, TEXAS

F. Williams - Pastor, B. Mason - First Elder, E. Johnson - Elder
H. Jackson - Elder, J. Lewis - Elder

MY CAPTAIN

Out of the light that dazzles me,
  Bright as the sun from pole to pole,
I thank the God I know to be
  For Christ the conqueror of my soul.

Since His the sway of circumstance,
  I would not wince nor cry aloud.
Under that rule which men call chance
  My head with joy is humbly bowed.

Beyond this place of sin and tears
  That life with Him! And His the aid,
Despite the menace of the years,
  Keeps, and shall keep me, unafraid.

I have no fear, though strait the gate,
  He cleared from punishment the scroll,
Christ is the Master of my fate,
  Chirst is the Captain of my soul.

Dorothea Day

Best Wishes
to
Pastor Billy E. Wright
Southwest Region
Certificate of Merit Honoree

May God continue to bless your ministry

Smyrna Seventh-day Adventist Church
Houston, Texas

PASTOR BILLY E. WRIGHT

Congratulations from
Shiloh Church Family

Shiloh Seventh-day Adventist Church
2400 South Maple Street
Little Rock, AR 72204
(501) 666-6457

Pastor and Mrs. Terrell McCoy, Sr.

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401 Harris Road
Charlottesville, Virginia 22903

Pastor Harry Britt
(434) 293-74430

To Whom It May Concern:

Dr. Milton Blackmon it gives me extreme delight to know that the Oakwood College alumni Association has selected you for the Certificate of Merit Award for the South Atlantic Conference.

I was also delighted to learn that you were elected as the President of the Durham Chaper of the Oakwood College Alumni Association.

As I reflect on our early days at Oakwood College as roommates, I can not help but reflect on your positive example: I recall your consistent routine each morning or fervent pryaer and personal Bible study.

Dr. Blackmon, it was due to your influence that I became a member of the Literature Evangelist Club. Latter, I was influenced by you to become a member of the Student Missionary Club and subsequent a student missionary to South Korea.

Congratulations on this unique honor. I know that you will continue to serve your church and community faithfully after the order of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

May the blessing of the Living God continually and richly be upon you.

In His Service,

Pastor Harry Britt

Best Wishes
to
Pastor Billy E. Wright
Southwest Region
Certificate of Merit Honoree

May God continue to bless your ministry

Smyrna Seventh-day Adventist Church
Houston, Texas

REJOICE!

CONGRATULATIONS
ELDER BILLY E. WRIGHT

The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.
Psalm 126:3

Bryan New Live SDA Church
408 E. 24th St. @ Texas Ave.
Bryan, Texas 77803

Frank Williams, Pastor

REJOICE!

Congratulations
Elder Billy Wright
President
Southwest Region Conference

...for them that honor me I will honor...
1 Samuel 2:30

From the Browns in SWRC
Elder Ted
Vickey
Theodore, II
Victoria
Vanitra

Congratulations
Pastor Billy E. Wright
Certificate of Merit Honoree
Southwest Region Conference

May God continue to bless you as you faithfully serve Him.

Metropolitan SDA Church
Missouri City, Texas

Rolando A. Baysa
Pastor

CONGRATULATIONS
AND
BEST WISHES
TO
ELDER BILLY E. WRIGHT

MAY GOD'S RICHEST BLESSINGS BE YOURS AS YOU LEAD HIS PEOPLE TO A HIGHER CALLING IN CHRIST JESUS.

LOIS S. MAGEE

Congratulations
to
Elder Billy E. Wright

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Seventh-day Adventist Church

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Pastor

CONGRATULATIONS PASTOR WRIGHT

"The Lord desires us to obtain all the education possible, with the object in view of imparting our knowledge to others. None can know where or how they may be called to labor or to speak for God."

Christ's Object Lessons, p. 333

Students, Staff and Faculty
Southwest Adventist Junior Academy

1929 75th 2004

"For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the hearts of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother."
Philemon 1:7 (KJ21)

Congratulations
Pastor Wright
on your distinguished honor

Your godson,
Winston Humphrey & Family
Duncanville, Texas

Pastor Wright,

You have always been and still are a trailblazer in God's ministry as a Pastor, Conference Youth Director, Secretariat and President.

Blessings to you,
Ronald and Laura Thibodeaux

Leadership is one of the highest forms of service. It is best exercised when it freely motivates others to a decision that is really theirs-but which may never have been reached without the learder's beneficial influence. --Unknown

CONGRATULATIONS

DR. WILLIAM FELDER
ALUMUS

DR. SANDRA HERNDON
ALUMNA

For your lives dedicated to Christian Education, loyalty to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and your alma mater, OAKWOOD COLLEGE

Compliments of the
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Alumnus 2004 - Dr. William Felder
and
Alumna 2004 - Dr. Sandra Herndon

For Christian Lives and Humane Services Well-Delivered to Humanity!!!

You have exhibited true dedication to our Seventh-day Adventist Philosophy of Life!!!

Compliments of
Judge Eardell J. Rashford
and
Mrs. Edna Lett Williamson
Life Members of Oakwood College Alumni Association
and the A. Samuel Rashford Chapter
New York City

CONGRATULATIONS
TO
DR. SANDRA NEELY-HERNDON

for her dedicated years of service as a Christian educator, leader, former Superintendent of Schools, Northeastern Conference of SDA

She is an exemmplary person, and we wish her God's special blessings for her diligence and caring as an educator and leader

CONGRATUALTIONS
TO
PASTOR WILLIAM D. FELDER

for his dedicated years of service as a pastor, Northeastern Academy Board member and Alumnus of the Academy

May God continue to bless his service as a leader of our church.

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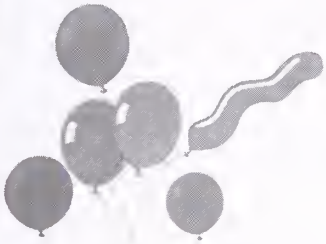
To Dr. W. D. Felder:



Best Wishes
and
Congratulations
on your award
DAD

You Deserve It!

We Love You
Stephanie and William III

We proudly support our 2004 Honorees!

The superb Dr. Sandra Herndon for her work on the committees and agendas to guide our children and youth along their journey of EDUCATION in the state of New York

The eloquent Dr. William Felder as he continues to lead and convince individuals to be law-abiding citizens of this world and candidates for ETERNITY!

Congratulations and Best Wishes to both of you!

The Goodine Sisters:
Frances and Rose

Congratulations
"Alums"

Dr. William D. Felder
"Alumnus of the Year 2004"
(Chairman of the Board of Felders)

and

Dr. Sandra Herndon
"Alumna of the Year 2004"

Virginia Hughes-Norman
Life Member
A. Samuel Rashford Chapter
Oakwood College Alumni Association
Bronx, New York

CONGRATULATIONS
MERIT AWARD HONOREES

Susie Ricks Wells
Allegheny West Conference
Cincinnati, Ohio

and

Dr. Eurydice Osterman
South Central Conference
Oakwood College Music Department

True, loyal, and lasting friends.
Your reaching out to others in
service and kindness and going the
extra mile has endeared you to many.

Your Indianapolis Friends
Thomasine Wright
Lizzie Mae Strange
Carmelita Richardson

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LOCAL HONOREES

Drs. Oliver & Faye Davis
Parents of the Year

-and-

Dr. Eurydice Osterman
Recipient of the Certificate of Merit

The Huntsville Association of Retired Adventist Workers
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CONGRATULATIONS
TO
DRS. OLIVER AND RUTH FAYE DAVIS

AND

DR. EURYDICE OSTERMAN

WE ARE PROUD OF YOU

WILLIAM AND DR. JESSIE MARY BRADLEY

To Drs. Oliver & Ruth Davis

The selection could not have been better. You are a great example of what great parents are all about.

Jeff, Meryl, Matthew, Candace & Ciara Williamson

Congratulations to Honorees

Dr. Milton A. Blackmon

South Atlantic Conference
Certificate of Merit

and

Dr. Eurydice V. Osterman

Professor of Music
South Central Conference
Certificate of Merit

Thank you for your years of service
to God and Oakwood College

Benjamin & Mary Smalls

THE FEDERATED KING'S DAUGHTERS
NEW YORK CHAPTER #2

congratulates

Dr. Sandra Neely Herndon, Alumna of the Year
Dr. William Felder, Alumnus of the Year
Pastor Willard Hall, Certificate of Merit
and all other 2004 honorees!

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Please join us at our annual **Mothers Day Luncheon**
honoring **Mrs. Wessie Jones**, Mother of the Year
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For more information, please contact members of
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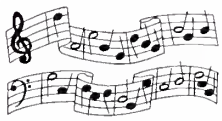
Compliments of Godrey and Henrietta Jackson

CONGRATULATIONS TO
ANIKA SAMPSON
Certificate of Merit - Allegheny East Conference

Because of your commitment, dedication and service to others, we the alumni in Allegheny East Conference applaud you.

May God bless you with good health and strengthen your voice as you delight others and forever give glory to Him in song.



Uncle Melvin and Aunt Marie Seard
(OCAA Vice President, AEC)

Congratulations to:

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
Alumna of the Year

Dr. Oliver and Dr. Ruth Faye Davis
Parents of the Year

Dr. Eurydice Osterman
South Central Certificate of Merit

Marie and Melvin Seard

Congratulations
to
Anika Sampson
on receiving the
Certificate of Merit
Allegheny East Conference

and to

Oakwood College on your
celebration of
37 years of Homecoming

James & Alita Dixon

Congratulations

to

Susie Ricks Wells

May God continue to bless
and keep you in His care.

Sarah Lester

The Review and Herald Publishing Association

congratulates

Anika Sampson

Oakwood College 2004 Certificate of Merit Recipient

The Review and Herald has more than 800 active book titles of inspirational and health-related topics, including Arthur Maxwell's ten-volume set of *The Bible Story*. We also print textbooks for our parochial school system, and more than forty different magazines and journals, including:

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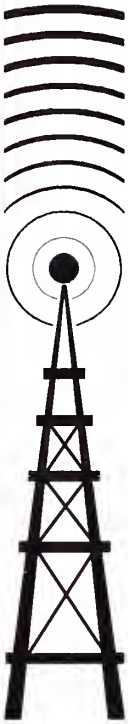
We are delighted to serve you in any way, providing your printing needs and making our material available through your local Adventist Book Center. Remember that the Adventist publishing work is to play a major evengelistic role as we near Christ's coming. Thank you for your prayers and support of this vital arm of our church.



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To
Dr. William Felder

Helen Martin Griffiths

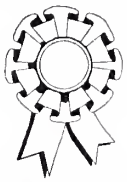
In Memory of
Elizabeth V. Martin, Mother

CONGRATULATIONS
TO

Dr. Sandra Herndon
Alumna of the Year

and

Dr. William Felder
Alumnus of the Year



Sarah M. Lester
Columbus, Ohio

CONGRATULATIONS
AND
BEST WISHES
HONOREES

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
Elder Willard Hall
Elder William Felder

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Virginia Green Gibson
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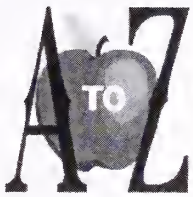
Sandra Neely-Herndon

Congratulations
On This Well Deserved Recognition

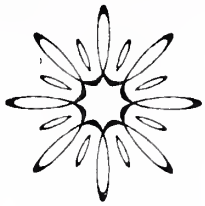
Thank You
For Your Commitment & Dedication
to Christian Education



Hilbert, Claudette, Kamilah,
& Omari Giscombe

CONGRATULATIONS
TO
Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
Alumna of the Year

May God's richest blessing
be with you and your family.



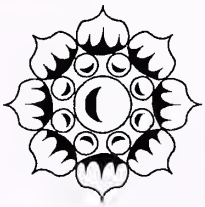
From
Winston and Rita James
Mt. Vernon SDA Church
Mt. Vernon, New York

To Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon

SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS
ON A JOB WELL DONE

Every job is a self-portrait of the
person who does it.

Autogragh your work with
excellence.



Sincerely
Wilma L. Germany

Congratulations
and
Best Wishes

Dr. Sandra Neely-Herndon
and
Pastor Willard Hall

May God continue to bless you both

Mrs. Vivian L. Phillips

Best Wishes
To
Pastor Billy E. Wright

Elizabeth C. McKinney

Congratulations Elder Wright!
We applaud your achievements and anticipate even greater things. Keep looking to the Lord and He will continue to isnpre you to lead His people and the conference upward and homeward.

Dr. Casal Henry & Family

Congratulations
To
President G. Alexander Bryant

From
Dr. Valerie E. Chow
and
Judge Jon R. Gray

CONGRATULATIONS TO ELDER LESTER

We admire your commitment to Christian Education

F. Welton and Charlene Blair
329 Hawthorne Terrace
Mount Vernon, New York 10552-2422

Dad, being part of the "Isaac Lester Clan" is indeed an honor.

As I have grown to know you, I have appreciated your principled life.

Denise

CONGRATULATIONS
ANIKA

Carol J. Wallington

Best Wishes
Anika

Dr. & Mrs. Derwin Phillip

Congratulations
Anika Sampson

The Duckworth's Ad
is in honor of
The Bland and McGaddye
Families

...Congratulations to Ms. Anika Sampson, honoree
from a
friend to her parents and grandparents.

Congratulations
Anika

Richard & Myrna Jones

Congratulations
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&
Dr. Eurydice V. Osterman
South Central Conference
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For your devotion to God and Christian Education.

Your friend,
Lovery D. Verdun & Family

CONGRATULATIONS
DR. BLACKMON
South Atlantic
Certificate of Merit Honoree

Elaine O'Neal

Northeastern Honorees

In Honor of

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Alumnus of the Year

Pastor Willard Hall
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CONGRATULATIONS
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Willard Hall

Congratulations for your selection as the Northeastern 2004 Certificate of Merit Awardee May the smile of God's countenance shine upon you as you continue to enjoy your retirement.

The Goodine Sisters
Frances and Rose

CONGRATULATIONS
DR. BLACKMON

Charm M. Nichol
Attorney at Law

CONGRATULATIONS
PASTOR WILLARD HALL
NORTHEASTERN CONFERENCE
CERTIFICATE OF MERIT
HONOREE

DR. MARY CAMERON

CONGRATULATIONS
DR. MILTON BLACKMON

I have no greater joy than to know that my children walk in truth.

Jeannetter & Sylvester Montgomery

CONGRATULATIONS!

Dr. M. Blackmon

from your friend,
Dr. K. Howard
Assistant Principal
Lincoln West High School
Cleveland, Ohio

Congratulations
to
All The Honorees

We are so proud
of your
accomplishments!

The Darville Family

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School Song

To Thee Our Dear Oakwood

Written by O. B. Edwards

Chorus

To thee, our dear Oakwood,
To thee we shall ever sing.
For decades thou has stood;
Thy name shall ever ring.
Here we've spent our happy days,
So we love to sing thy praise,
And wherever we may be
We'll always be true to thee,
Our worthy dear old O.C.

One

Our dear Oakwood within whose vales
Thy standards will not fail;
Our hearts are filled with wondrous cheer
When thoughts of thee draw near.
We love thy pines, thy elms, thy oaks
And campus always green.
The many flowers and distant mounts,
Form one impressive scene.

Two

From states afar and isles of sea
Thy students come to thee,
And fain do linger in thy halls
Enlightened truthfully.
From nature's scenes they ever learn
And study from the soil;
Till many more thy works discern.
We'll pray for thee and toil.

Three

As happy birds come in the spring
And sing not for their pay,
Rich, natural melodies they bring,
Cheering throughout the day.
We too will serve thee faithfully
In all we do and say.
We hope in God, we trust in thee;
True and loyal we'll be.

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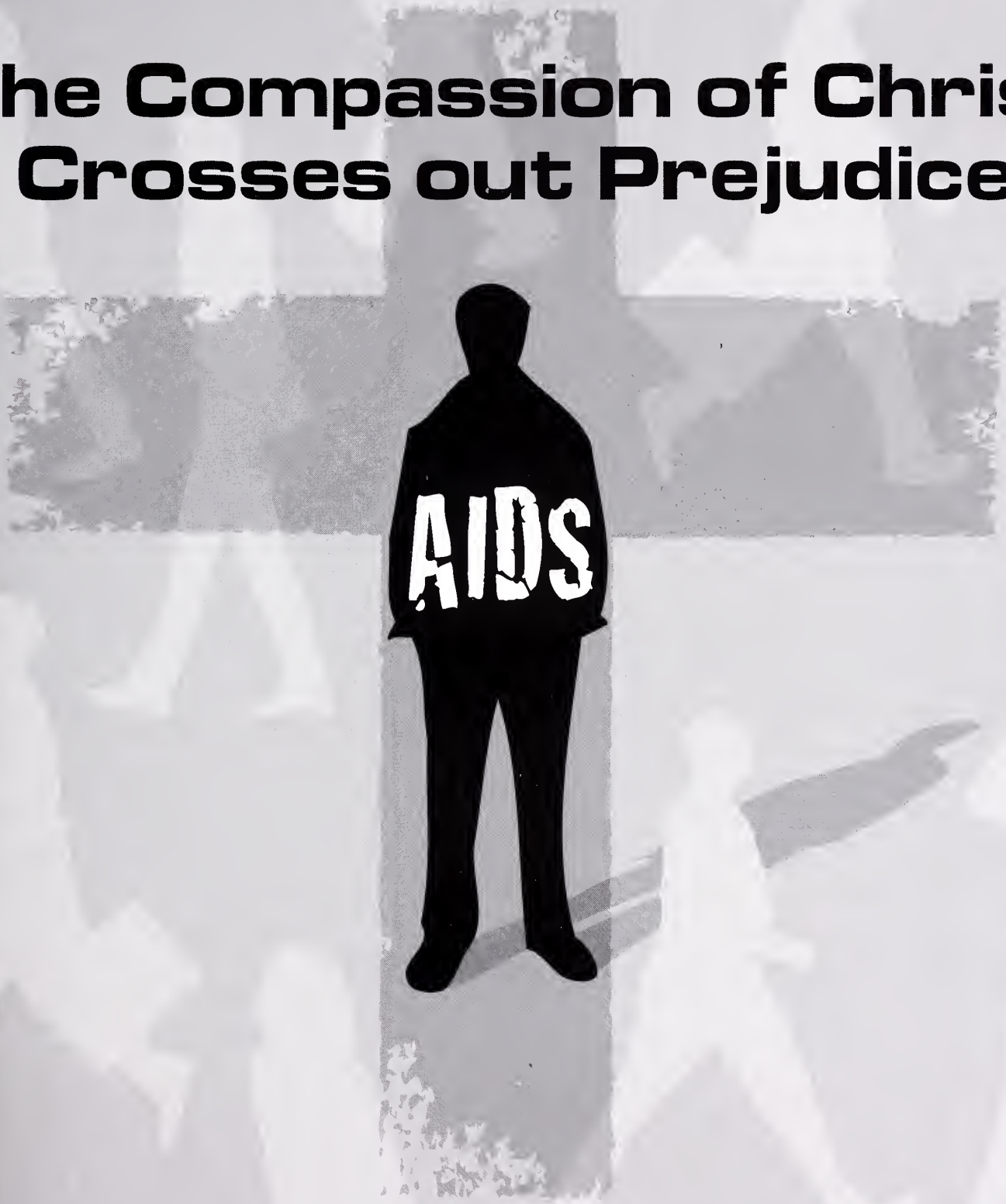

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